Palmer Black and Gold

We raise our colors, hold them high,
And pledge allegiance true,
For we are proud to have the right
To wear the symbol hue.
And when our high school days are o'er,
Fond memories we will hold,
For we will ever faithful be
To Palmer Black and Gold.

Our loyalty will never die,
Our banner never fade.
The laurels ever yours shall be
For progress we have made.
Whatever claim to fame is ours
In future days untold,
May ever prove us worthy of
The Palmer Black and Gold.

"Courage is the universal virtue . . .
Without belittling the courage with which men have died,
we should not forget those acts of courage
with which men . . . have lived."

President John Fitzgerald Kennedy

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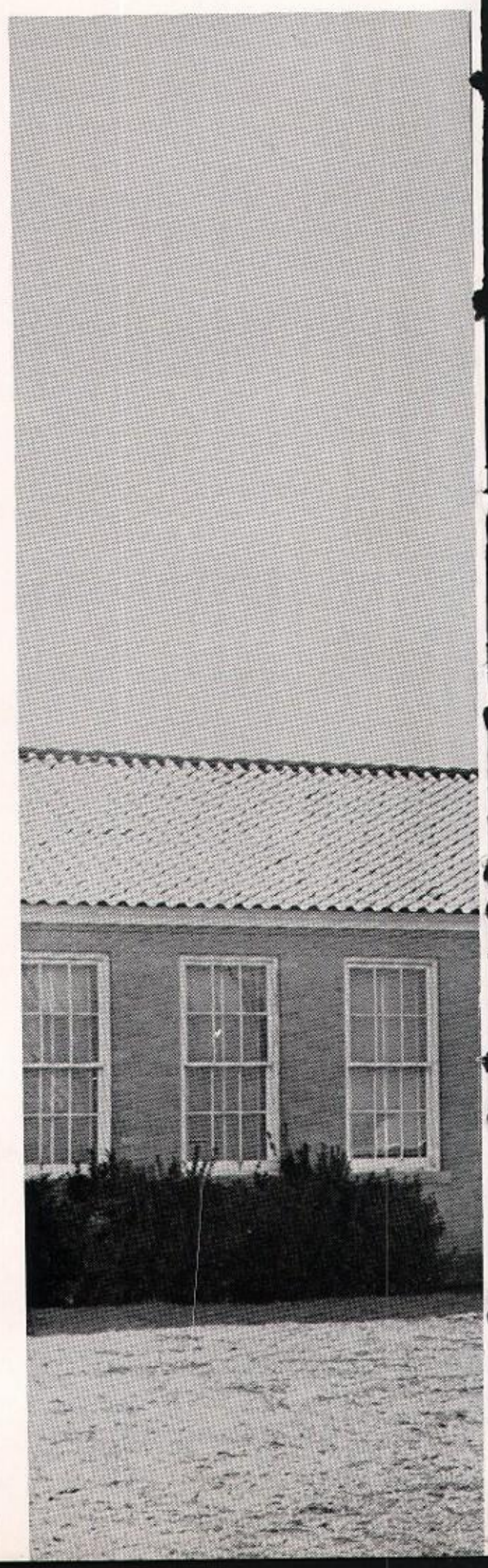

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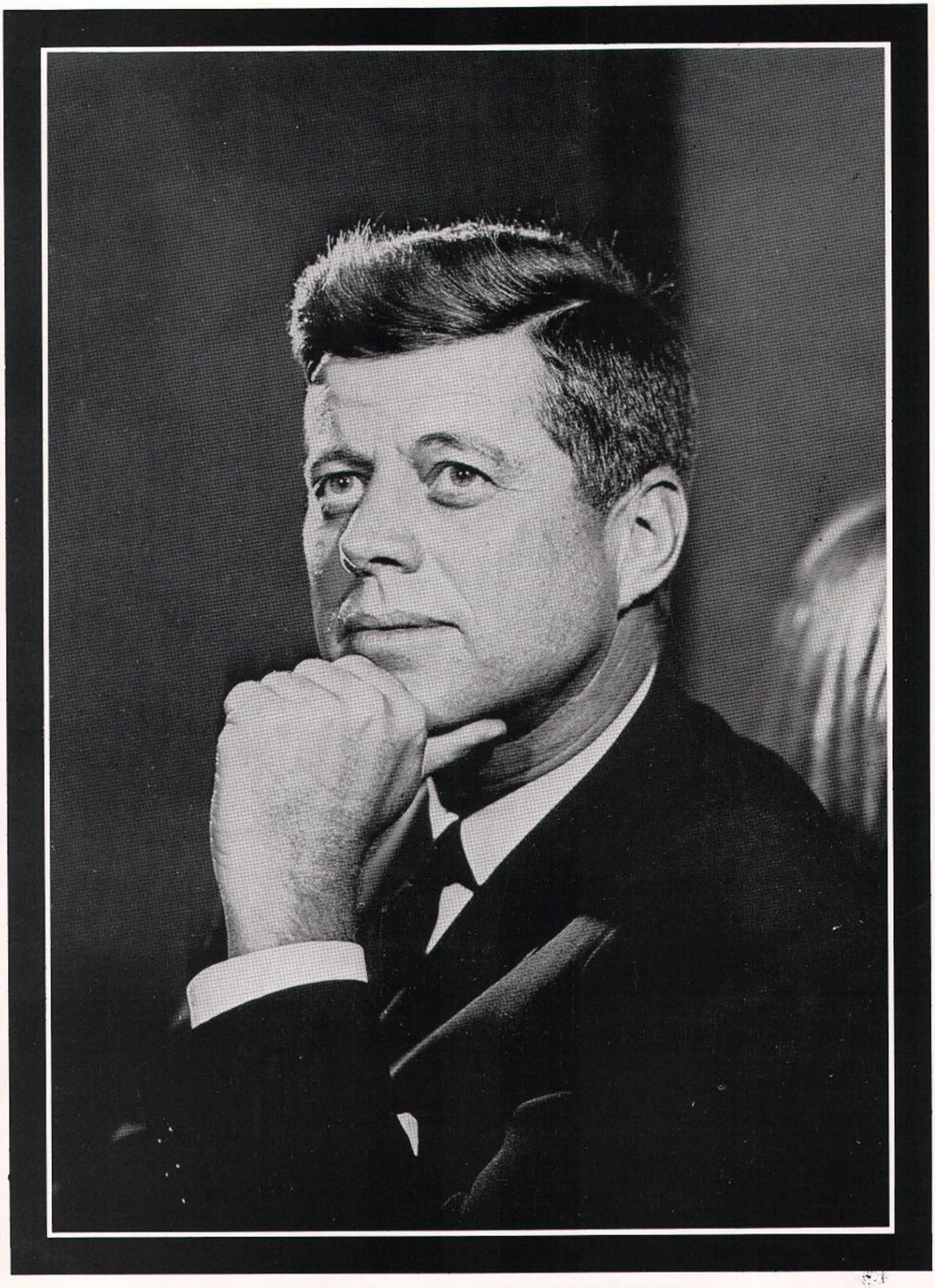

PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY 1917-1963

Dedication

As Andrew Jackson once said, "One man with courage makes a majority." We have learned by a living example that courage is the one virtue that John Fitzgerald Kennedy most admired and practiced. He inspired others to react courageously in their daily lives by doing so himself. Not because he met such a tragic and untimely death are we prompted to build this edition of "Footprints" to his memory, but rather because he imparted so much vitality, devotion and courage to each of us in this world. He has made us realize that not one among us can afford to be lookers-on but that each must stand up for what is good and right and be willing to give his all for that cause. We have chosen to use his words and apply them to our own situation here in Palmer Public School and build a yearbook which will show the true measure of devotion he gave to life and to the world.

Thomas Carlyle wrote: "The courage we desire and prize is not the courage to die decently but to live manfully." In this light, we dedicate this book to the memory of our late President John Fitzgerald Kennedy. It is our wish that you cherish each word and picture of our life here in Palmer School. It is our earnest desire that you search your own hearts and minds as you read the pages of "Footprints" and strive to live up to that standard which President Kennedy so nobly exemplified.

Phyllis Jan Tate,
Editor

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Photographer, Karsh

Calendar of Events

"This is a dangerous and uncertain world.
No one expects our lives to be easy - - -
not in this decade, not in this century."
John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

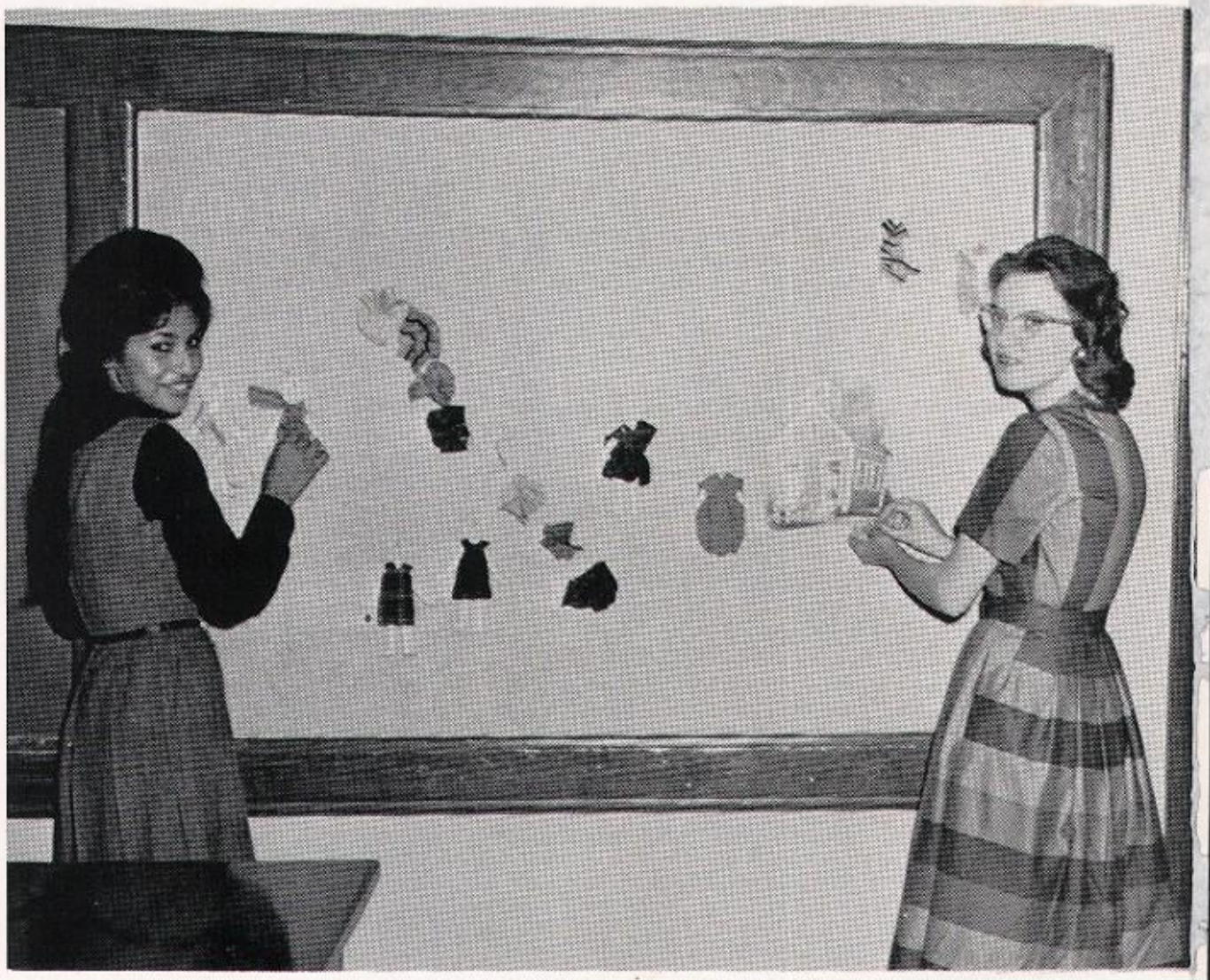
September

SEPTEMBER 11: With all classmates standing, Bruce Allen and Sara Stacks don their little beanies as they were the first to learn the "Palmer Black and Gold."

SEPTEMBER 16: Victoria Livar and Pam Holleman dress the bulletin board with paper dolls in fabrics chosen for school wear in homemaking.

SEPTEMBER 20: Donald Fuller, Danny Hobbs and Tommy Harper hold on to that live pork as they hold animal caught in Ag Pig Chase. Greased animal was not an easy catch.

SEPTEMBER 30: Being prepared is part of the plan in our school. Palmer First Graders get their fire helmets on and start a full week of the study of fire prevention. They marched through the school halls and into the rooms to remind each student of this week.



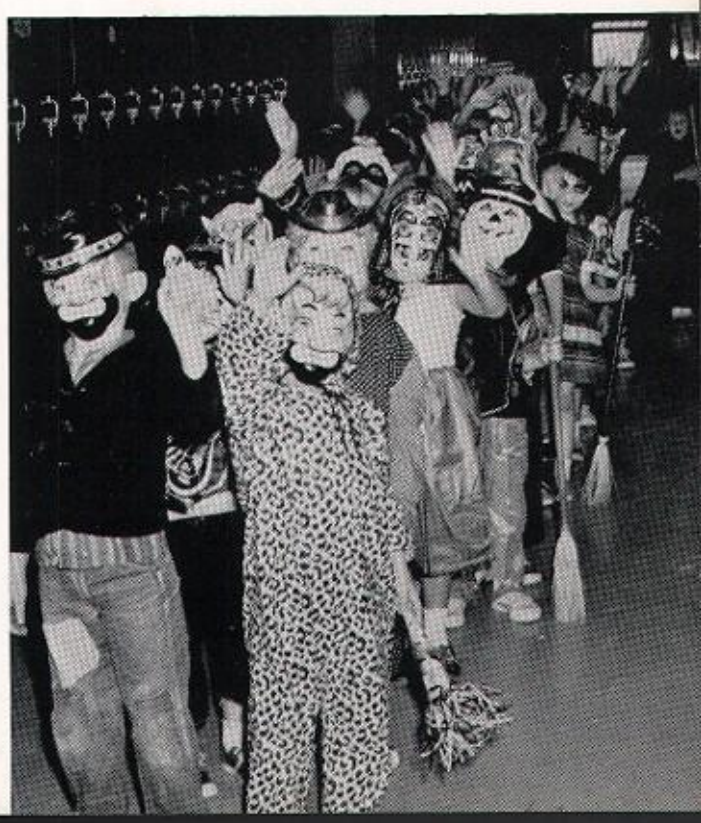
October

OCTOBER 24: Duane Brazier, Melvin Greenlee, James Hobbs and Sheree Wilson look like a group from GUNSMOKE on Western Day.

OCTOBER 24: Miss "Kitty" Thelma Hobbs and three westerners, Steve Baker, Donnie Slade, and Kenny Caldwell get costume awards from student council president Steve Long.

OCTOBER 24: Little Wrangler Joe David Parten shakes the hand of the Boss as he gets an award on Western Day. Steve Cox, Suzanne and Elizabeth McClain also get awards. We really had some authentic costumes and lots of good western fun that day!

OCTOBER 30: Down the hall came a group of goblins and ghosts to warn us that Halloween was surely here and we had better watch out.



November

NOVEMBER 11: Veterans Day did not go unheeded in our school. Mrs. Calhoun and her little daughter brought the traditional poppies and here is Danny Epps getting his to wear.

NOVEMBER 21: Harvest Goddess Phyllis Tate is crowned as her court waits. Her escort is Steve Long. Edwin Davis narrated in the costume of Uncle Sam.

NOVEMBER 25: Who will ever forget this day? Seniors take their places on stage as school plans a Memorial Service to the late President John F. Kennedy who was killed November 22.

NOVEMBER 25: Ministers Tom Brock, Bobby Thornton, W. L. Fontenot and Mather Owen all gather with the people of all churches at our school for this Memorial Service. This was a day which we shall never forget for we knew we had lost a great and good man.

DECEMBER 17: Little Elves and pretty fairies smile down on the bed of Patsy McNeese. They are members of the second and third grades who had presented a delightful Christmas program at P.T.A.

DECEMBER 20: Patricia Mapp centers the stage to listen to Edwin Davis read thé Christmas story in a morning assembly by the school. Melvin Greenlee, Patti Holleman and Sara Stacks listen intently.

DECEMBER 17: All the world loves a happy clown. Here are three: Robin Reeves, Melvin Greenlee and Duane Brazier as they brought Christmas cheer to the P.T.A.

DECEMBER 20: Christmas would not be complete without the Nativity Story as told this year by a group of high school students under the direction of Mrs. Scallorn.

January

JANUARY 10: As basketball was in full swing, we caught the girls team eagerly watching a game in our school gymnasium.

JANUARY 15: Future Homemakers began the study of foods as the new semester drew near. Here we see Mrs. Batton, Norma Kinsala, Martha Cryer, Annie Franklin and Cathy Stacks as they sit for their first culinary attempt.

JANUARY 20: Time for school favorites election and the nominees really had some rousing campaigns as witnessed in the photograph of Robby Hobbs and Sara Stacks who later won the election in a runoff.

JANUARY 21: Polls opened at 8:45 a.m. on this day and the voters swarmed the place to cast their vote for school favorite. Here are election judges Dianne Allen and Jerry Wester at the high school polls.

February

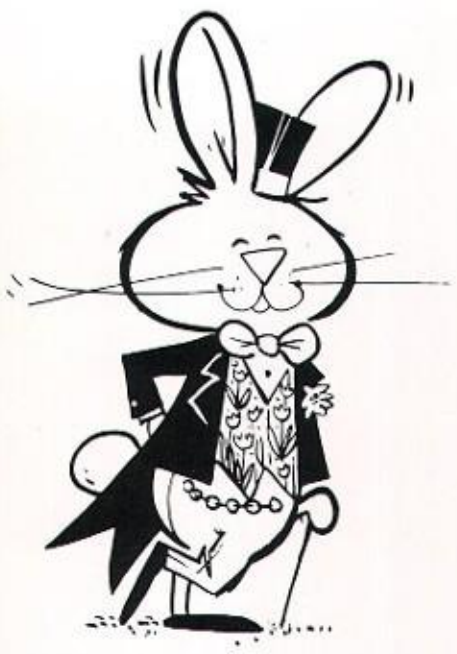
FEBRUARY 12: Norma Cottongame, Roger Stacks, Nova Tibbs, Rickey Owen and Pamelia Andrews are all prepared for St. Valentine's Day with their pretty boxes made in the third grade.

FEBRUARY 14: Sara Stacks and Bruce Allen reign as king and queen on St. Valentine's Day in a party at the first grade room.

FEBRUARY 15-23: Future Farmer Adviser Hibbert Beck gets the "grand prize" in an assembly in observance of National F.F.A. Week. Boys put on a novel and amusing program.

FEBRUARY 28: Yearbook staff revealed the school favorites in a special program. Here are winners Leona Cottongame, Narel Robinson, Jimmy Harper, Virginia Robinson, Robert Hobbs and Sara Stacks.

March

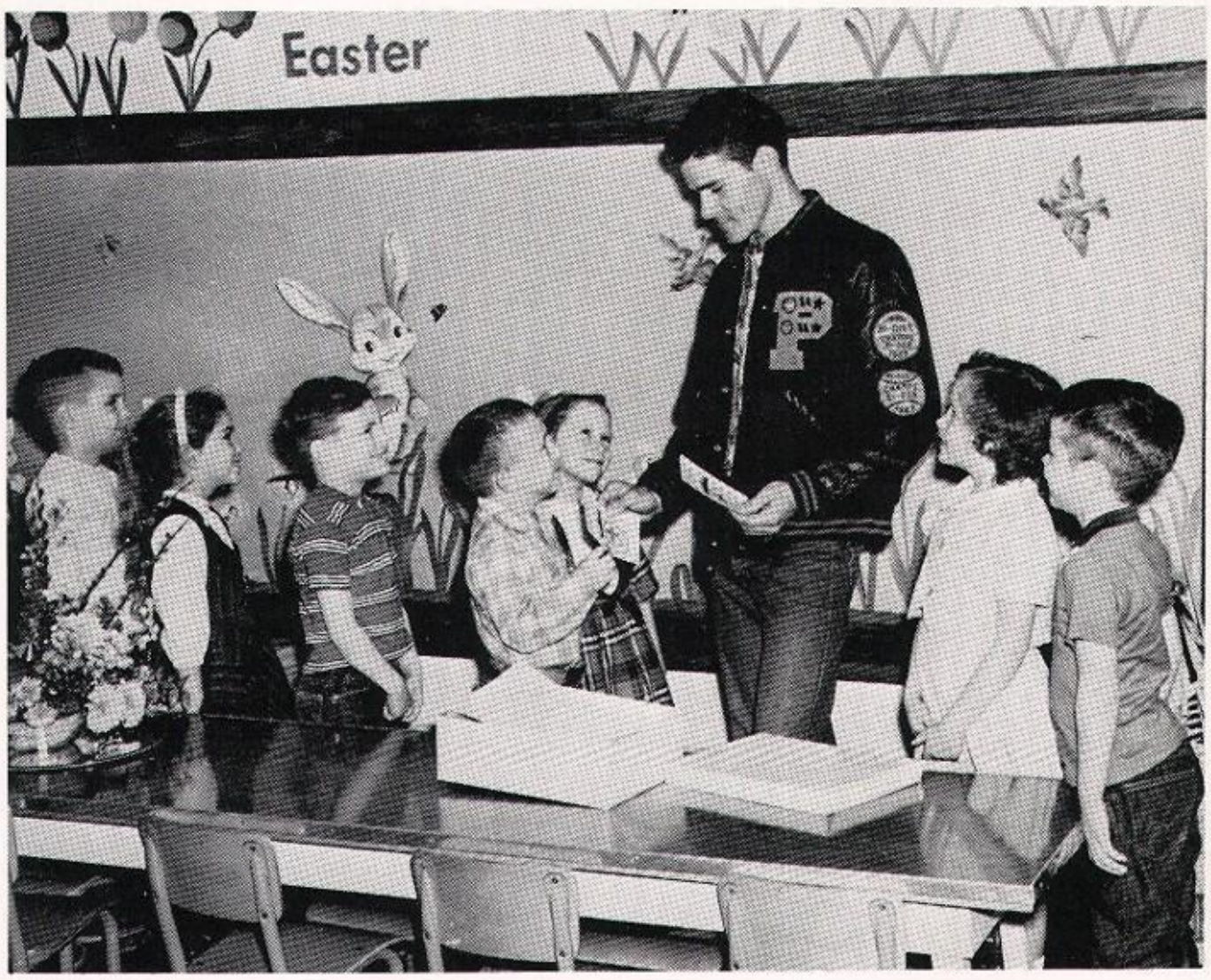


MARCH 6: Guests Bob Stacks and Mrs. Ted D. Smith register in the school library where Norma Kinsala is hostess during Texas Public School Week.

MARCH 1-31: Red Cross Chairman Ramon Santos awards a hundred percent certificate of enrollment for the largest contribution by a single grade to the American Red Cross. Joe David Parten, leading contributor, receives the award for the Palmer First Grade.

MARCH 20: Playing "Anna" from THE KING AND I Patricia Mapp sings with the Siamese Children in a delightful bit of the senior class play.

MARCH 25: What a parade of Easter bonnets was seen in our school. Our camera caught four of the prettiest worn by Scottie Baker, Sara Stacks, Kristi Prince and Patti Holleman. Patti's hat was of fresh flowers and she won the prize.



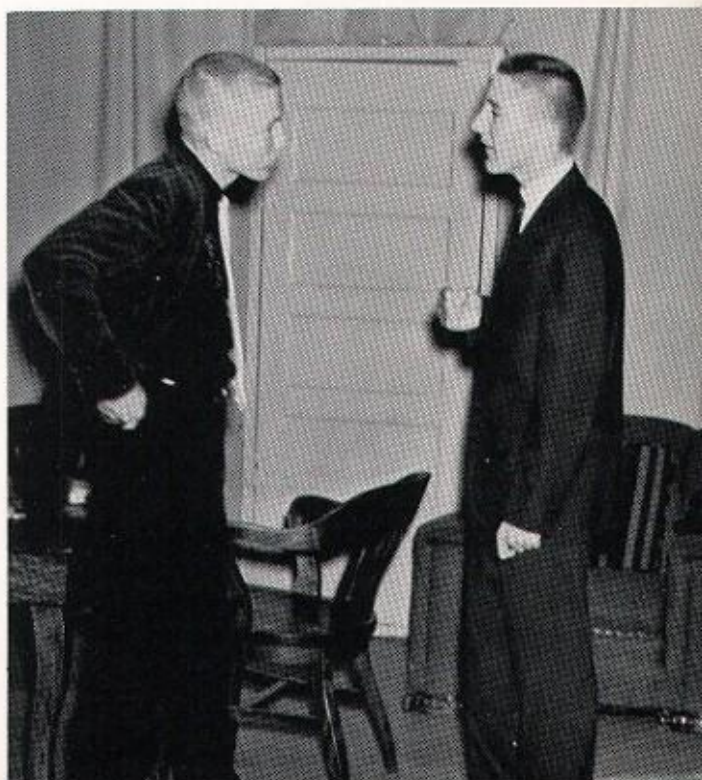
April

APRIL 3: Joe Schwartz reaches the finish line in the District Track Meet held in Corsicana. Joe was the winner of the 220 yard dash and brought the championship home to our school.

APRIL 6: Future Homemaker President Norma Sue Kinsala and fellow chapter member Leona Cottongame are seen left as they distribute red roses in bud vases to the members of the faculty in celebration of National F.H.A. Week. Mrs. Scallorn is the recipient.

APRIL 22: Seen below left are the members of Palmer Student Council as they bind up the clothing for Goodwill Industries. Council sponsored drive in our school and did an excellent job.

APRIL 24: Billy Dean Harris and Jimmy Slade rehearse their parts for junior play "Born Lucky." Boys did a good job with play.



May

MAY 16: Above right are Sue Kinsala, Gary Oates, juniors, with seniors Pat Mapp, Danny Hobbs and Steve Long at the TREASURE COVE banquet honoring the seniors. Pirate is John Fuller.

MAY 16: Pirates Tommy Harper and Jack Bardwell serve members of the Board and Faculty at the junior-senior banquet.

MAY 16: Senior class president Stephen Long is seen at the head table during banquet with Louis Barron who was the host. The food and fun was very enjoyable by seventy guests.

MAY 9: Phyllis Jan Tate gets her dress all adjusted by her homemaking teacher, Mrs. Batton. Phyllis represented Palmer High in COTTON FESTIVAL held in Waxahachie.

Administration and Faculty

"He must judge for himself which path to choose, which step will help or hinder the ideals to which he is committed. Once he begins to compromise away his principles on one issue after another for fear that to do otherwise would halt his career and prevent future fights for principle, then he has lost the very freedom of conscience which justifies his continuance in office."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

Superintendent and Principal

Superintendent Roy James Watson and Principal Billy Earl Richardson are seen in the main office of our school. Both men are located in offices where students and teachers can easily reach them to discuss problems or drop by for an encouraging word or friendly chat.

Board of Education

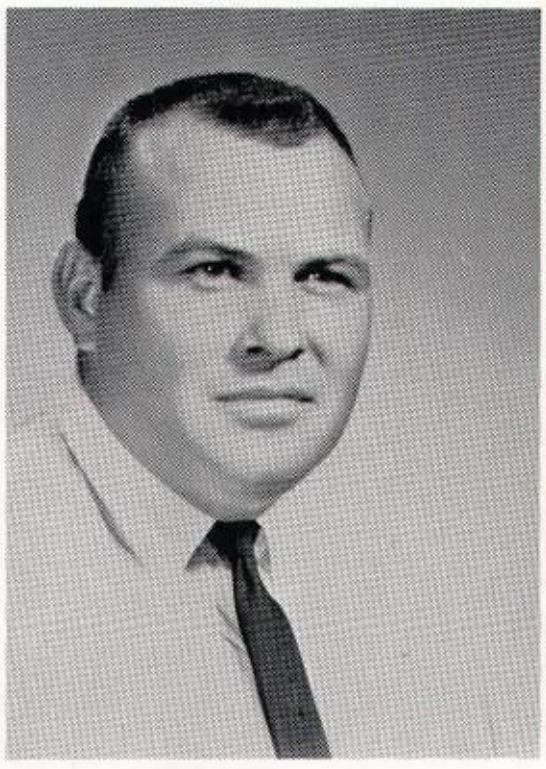
P. W. Holleman, Charles E. Tate, President T. M. Harper, Vice-President Clayton N. Stacks, Superintendent Watson and Mrs. Parmer Wilson are seen in the school library where regular meetings are held to formulate school policies. Not in the picture are Roger Harper and E. M. Bardwell.

MRS. LUCEIL BATTON
VOCATIONAL HOMEMAKING
Sophomore Class Sponsor
B. S. Degree from Sam Houston State College.

Seen at upper right in one of her classes, Mrs. Batton teaches most of the girls in our high school the art of homemaking. Girls study foods, clothing, child care, and all of the phases of making the home a more enjoyable place in which to live.

Seen below right is Mr. Hibbert Beck with one of his classes in shop. Boys study all of the phases of farm life and how to develop an enterprise of their own. Boys in picture have built trailer for use on the farm in their agriculture projects which are required in the course.

MR. HIBBERT BECK
VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE
B. S. Degree from Sam Houston State College.

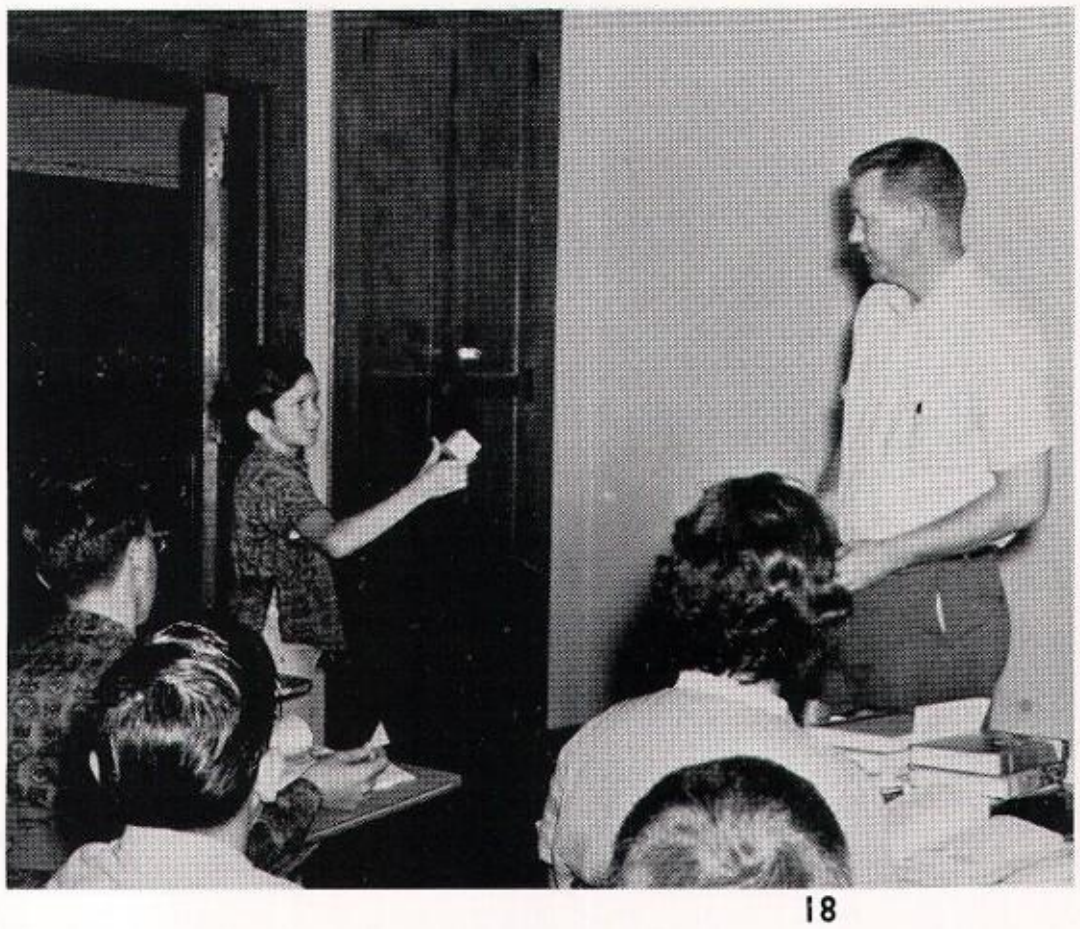


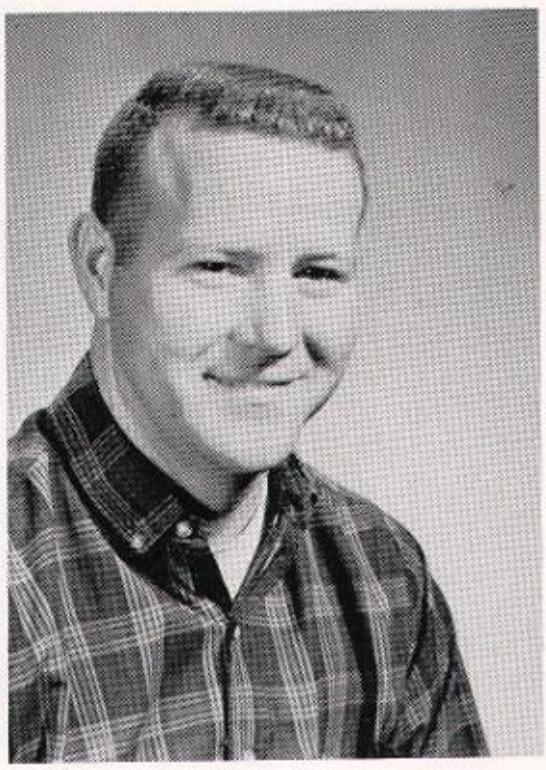
MRS. LETHA B. GLEESON
COMMERCIAL AND HISTORY
Junior Class Sponsor
B. A. Degree, Morningside College, Iowa.

Typing is one of the phases of commercial studies instructed by Mrs. Gleeson as seen above. She loves history and is very good with her lectures in both world and American History. She also teaches civics and Texas History which are required subjects in our school.

Mr. Earl Richardson is seen below with a group of eighth grade students who are beginning the study of objects preparatory to learning the ways of figuring the dimension of these objects. Mr. Richardson teaches all high school mathematics such as geometry, algebra, trigonometry, and commercial arithmetic.

MR. EARL RICHARDSON
PRINCIPAL, COACH AND MATH
B. A. Degree from N. T. S. U.
in Denton, Texas



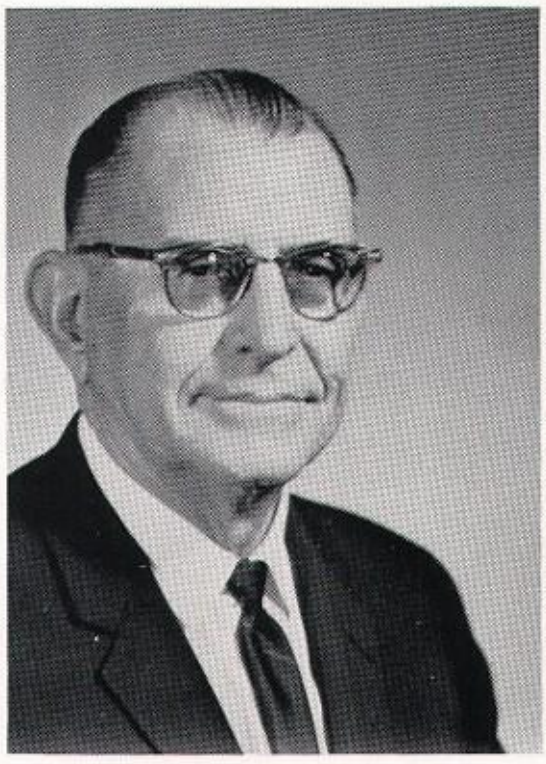


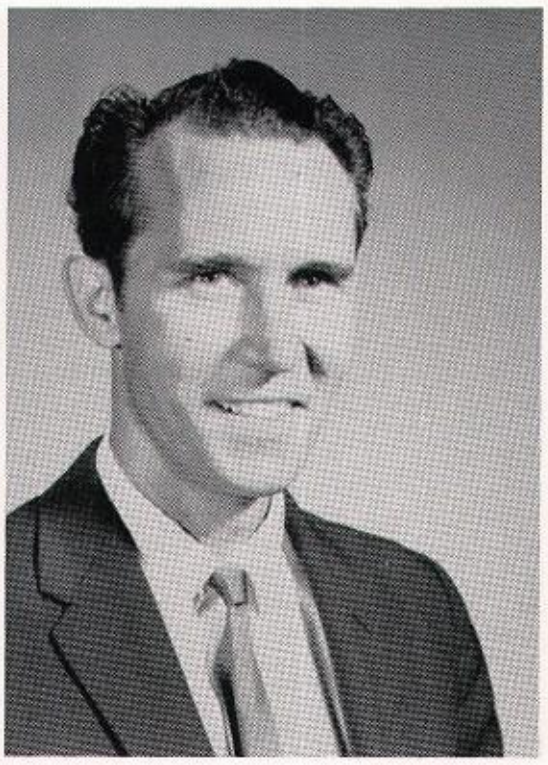
MRS. T. N. SCALLORN
ENGLISH AND LITERATURE
Freshman Sponsor
B. A. and M. A. Degrees,
George Peabody College.

Pictured above at right is Mrs. Scallorn with a class in English Literature as they sit in a semi-circle group to discuss what they have just read. Mrs. Scallorn has taught many years and has so much to offer the students in the study of literature and the arts. She is an accomplished musician.

Mr. Watson is seen below with a group in general science as they learn the uses of the machine. Mr. Watson is interested in all phases of science and teaches chemistry, biology, and physics in the high school. Students enjoy his experiments and lectures in all of his courses.

MR. ROY JAMES WATSON
SUPERINTENDENT
Sciences, B. S. and M. S.
Stephen F. Austin College.





MR. TOM B. BROCK
SIXTH AND SEVENTH GRADES
Physical Fitness
B. S. Degree, N. T. S. U.

Many are the duties of Mr. Brock who is seen in pictures above teaching reading to the junior high school boys and girls. He is the track coach, physical fitness instructor for junior high and instructs reading, spelling, science and mathematics in the junior high. He commutes from Ennis, Texas and likes all phases of his work.

Mrs. Joe Griffith teaches many subjects to the elementary students but in her fifth grade class, she likes to put stress on geography as seen below. Students learn the fun of travel as they take imaginary trips with Mrs. Griffith. She has taught school in Palmer for many years but always remains her smiling and pleasant self to each new group of youngsters.

MRS. JOE B. GRIFFITH
FIFTH GRADE
B. S. Degree from N. T. S. U.
in Denton, Texas

MRS. IMOGENE G. RUFFIN
FOURTH GRADE
B. A. and M. A. Degrees,
from N. T. S. U.

Pictured above right is Mrs. Ruffin and a class studying phonics which enables the child to become a better reader. Mrs. Ruffin has studied the teaching of phonics at the most recent workshops and likes very much to stress this phase of learning in her program. She likes to travel each summer and is a commuter from Ennis, Texas, to our school.

Seen below at the right is Mrs. Louise Nesmith with a group of third grade students who have just completed a scale model of the town of Palmer as a part of their social studies. Mrs. Nesmith is new with us this year, having come from the Scurry-Rosser School. She likes to call Palmer home as she taught here several years ago.

MRS. LOUISE NESMITH
THIRD GRADE
B. A. Degree Trinity University.

MISS MARY LOU WILSON
SECOND GRADE
B. A. and M. A. Degrees
from N. T. S. U.

What is more fun than learning the wonderful art of telling time? Here pictured above is Miss Mary Lou Wilson and her second grade students as they strive to master this new adventure. Miss Wilson commutes from Ennis, Texas. She is a former librarian who likes all phases of school teaching.

Each day in the first grade there is a new adventure in learning. Seen below is Miss Eula Stinson helping her students learn to write. She is a devoted school teacher who spends all of her waking hours helping the children in our town. Each year brings new challenges which she meets with renewed enthusiasm. Children love to be a part of this class.

MISS EULA B. STINSON
FIRST GRADE
B. S. and M. S. Degrees,
N. T. S. U. and E. T. S. U.

LIBRARIAN

MRS. E. R. RUSHING

Our school librarian, Mrs. E. R. Rushing, commutes from her ranch in Tool, Texas. She is a firm believer that good books are one of the keys to wisdom and strives to impart her love of books to the boys and girls in our entire school. She was educated in Mississippi and is now an adopted Texan. She purchases all books and library materials for our school and is constantly on the job keeping our library an attractive place to visit.

COUNSELOR

MRS. LORENE KIRKPATRICK

Our counselling and guidance program is headed by one of the most capable and lovable personalities on our faculty, Mrs. Lorene Kirkpatrick. She commutes from Maypearl, Texas. She gives all achievement and development tests and aids each student and teacher in school with their individual problems. She is seen at left interpreting a test just completed by senior Jimmy Harper.

VISITING TEACHER

MR. GUS RAMAGE

Always a source of enjoyment to the youngsters is our visiting teacher, Mr. Ramage. He visits our school each week to check our attendance and make calls to those who have lost interest or are not attending school as regularly as they should. Our average attendance this year will aid us in gaining a teacher and that proves that Mr. Ramage has done a good job. He is seen at left trying a little magic with some of the students in our second grade.

NURSE

MRS. FRANCES TURNBULL, R. N.

Seen at right giving the Tine Test for tuberculosis to the little girls in the first grade, Mrs. Turnbull is her her smiling, happy self. She is a thoroughly capable and efficient nurse who calls on our school each week. She keeps all health records, weighs and measures regularly, gives eye and ear tests and sees that each child is given every opportunity to stay healthy and happy in school.

LUNCHROOM

MRS. ALBERT BATES

MRS. KATE WILLIAMS

Who could do without good food each day? Luckily, we have two good cooks in Mrs. Bates and Mrs. Williams. They are seen at right with two of the student helpers, John Fuller and Tommy Harper. Boys help serve food and wash dishes. Almost eighty five percent of students eat lunch in our school lunchroom and that does prove that we have good cooks. We couldn't do without them!

SUPERINTENDENT'S SECRETARY

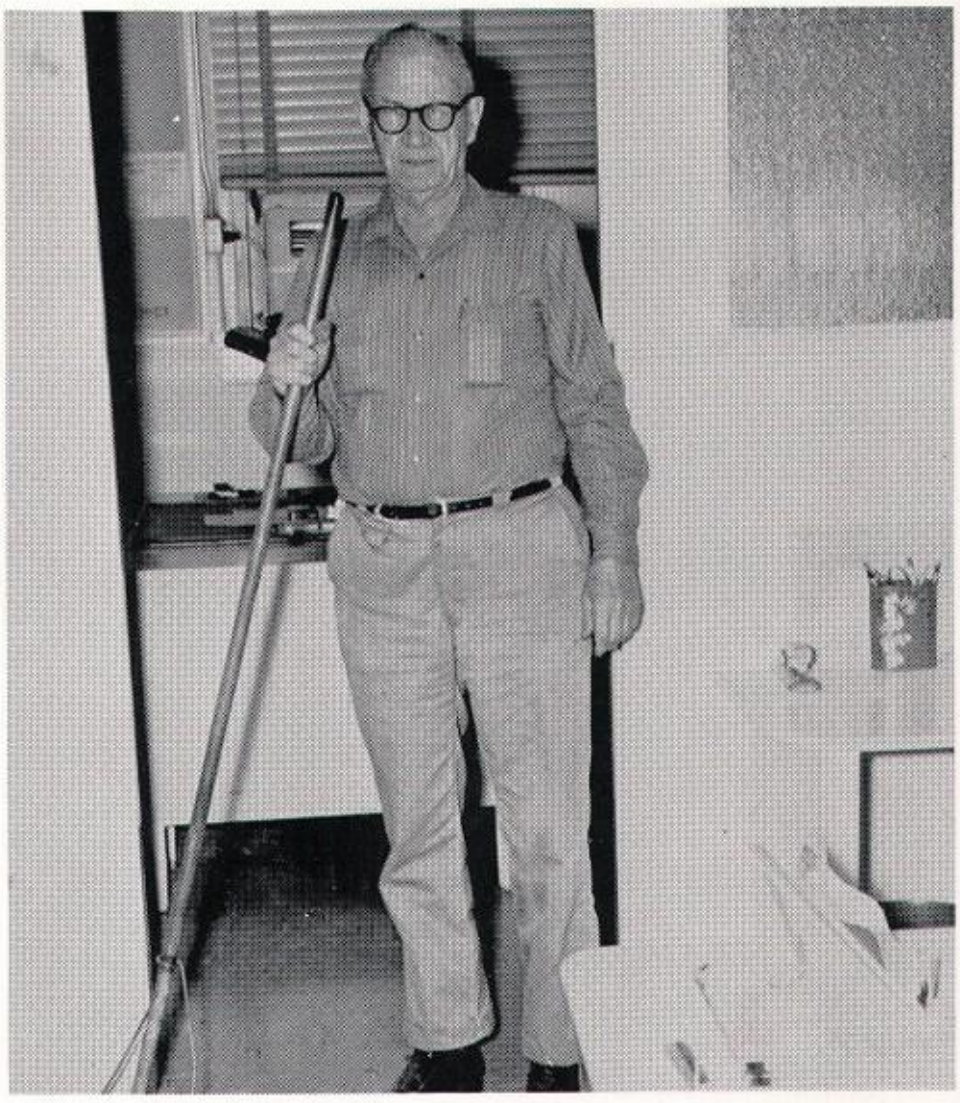
MRS. J. A. BLOCKER

Mrs. Blocker has been secretary to Mr. Watson since he has been superintendent. She is a sponsor of the senior class, helps with the school library, and sponsors the yearbook staff. Always interested in the best for each student, Mrs. Blocker serves both students and teachers in many ways. Her favorite task is helping to make a good yearbook. She spends many hours and much after-school time working with the students. Most of the school hours are spent at other duties.

CUSTODIAN

MR. ROSS MULLINS

Most familiar face to all of us in Palmer School is that of "Uncle" Ross Mullins. He is loved and respected by each person in our school for he takes care of our needs and wants without a single complaint. He keeps our building clean and neat and does it with the gentle hands of a man who has known many years of being a school custodian. We call upon "Uncle" Ross when we need an errand run, a floor swept, stage properties built, and just about anything we want at our school. He always responds as though he is happy to be asked.



BUS DRIVERS

Superintendent Watson goes over the latest handbook on driving a school bus with two of our drivers, Mrs. Kate Williams and Mrs. Ruth Jones. These two ladies drive buses which transport about seventy five percent of our students from the rural farms and communities. Good driving for the safety of the child is their primemost thought. Both drivers are a vital part of the school day as they are the beginning and end of each one for the rider.

FACULTY FUN

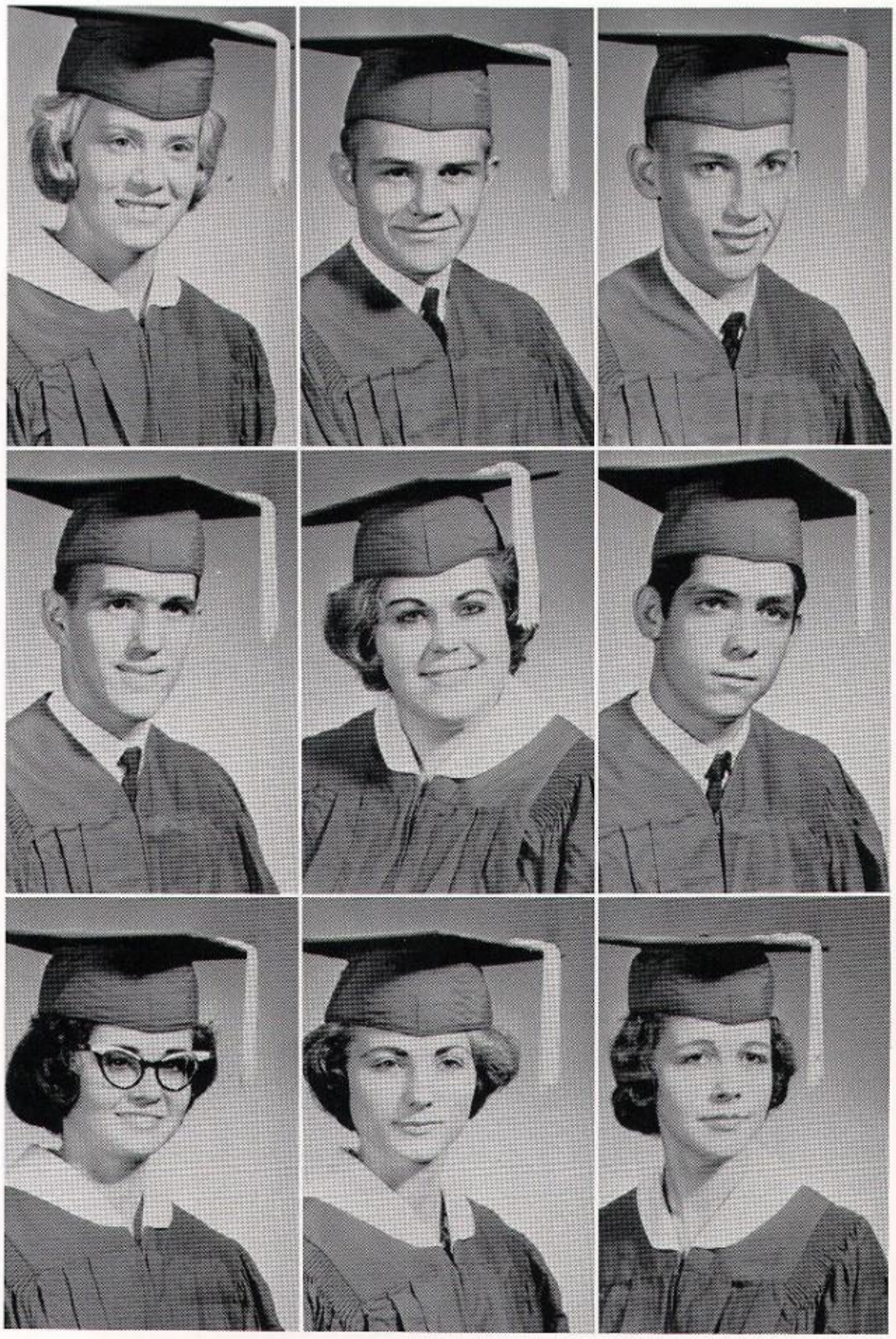
Upper left: Mrs. Scallorn, Mrs. Griffith and Mr. Watson get punch at F. H. A. Tea.
Above: Student Council President Steve Long serves Mr. Richardson, Mrs. Ruffin, Miss Stinson, Mrs. Batton and Mrs. Gleeson at Christmas Coffee.
Left: Little Dana R. Calhoun pins a poppy on the Professor on Veterans Day.

Lower left: Mrs. Scallorn and Sue Kinsala serve Mr. Brock, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Griffith and Mr. Beck at morning coffee before Easter Holidays.
Below: Everyone went western for the day. Here is "Annie Oakley" Blocker and "Matt Dillon" Watson on Western Day at our school.

Student Body

"I believe in an America where every child is educated, not according to his means or race, but according to his capacity."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy.



Graduates

Class of 1964

COLLINS, PATRICIA ANN

HARPER, JAMES HUGH

HOBBS, DANNY LEE

LONG, STEPHEN LEE
President

MAPP, PATRICIA JEAN Secretary-Treasurer

ROBINSON, ALPHA NAREL

TATE, PHYLLIS JAN
Reporter

THORNTON, JO ANN

VYERS, ROSA FRANKLIN

CLASS COLORS: YELLOW AND WHITE

CLASS FLOWER: YELLOW GLADIOLUS

CLASS MOTTO: "SO TEACH US TO NUMBER OUR DAYS THAT WE MAY APPLY OUR HEARTS UNTO WISDOM."

PARENT SPONSORS: MRS. BRADLEY COLLINS, MRS. HUGH H. HARPER, AND MRS. ERNEST HOBBS

CLASS SPONSORS: MR. ROY JAMES WATSON AND MRS. J. A. BLOCKER

Seniors

COLLINS, PATRICIA ANN: Basketball, Junior and Senior Class Plays.

HARPER, JAMES HUGH: Basketball, Baseball, F. F. A., Junior and Senior Plays.

HOBBS, DANNY LEE: Basketball, Baseball, F. F. A., Yearbook Staff, Junior and Senior Plays.

LONG, STEPHEN LEE: Pres. Student Council, Basketball, Baseball, F. F. A., Yearbook Staff, Junior and Senior Plays.

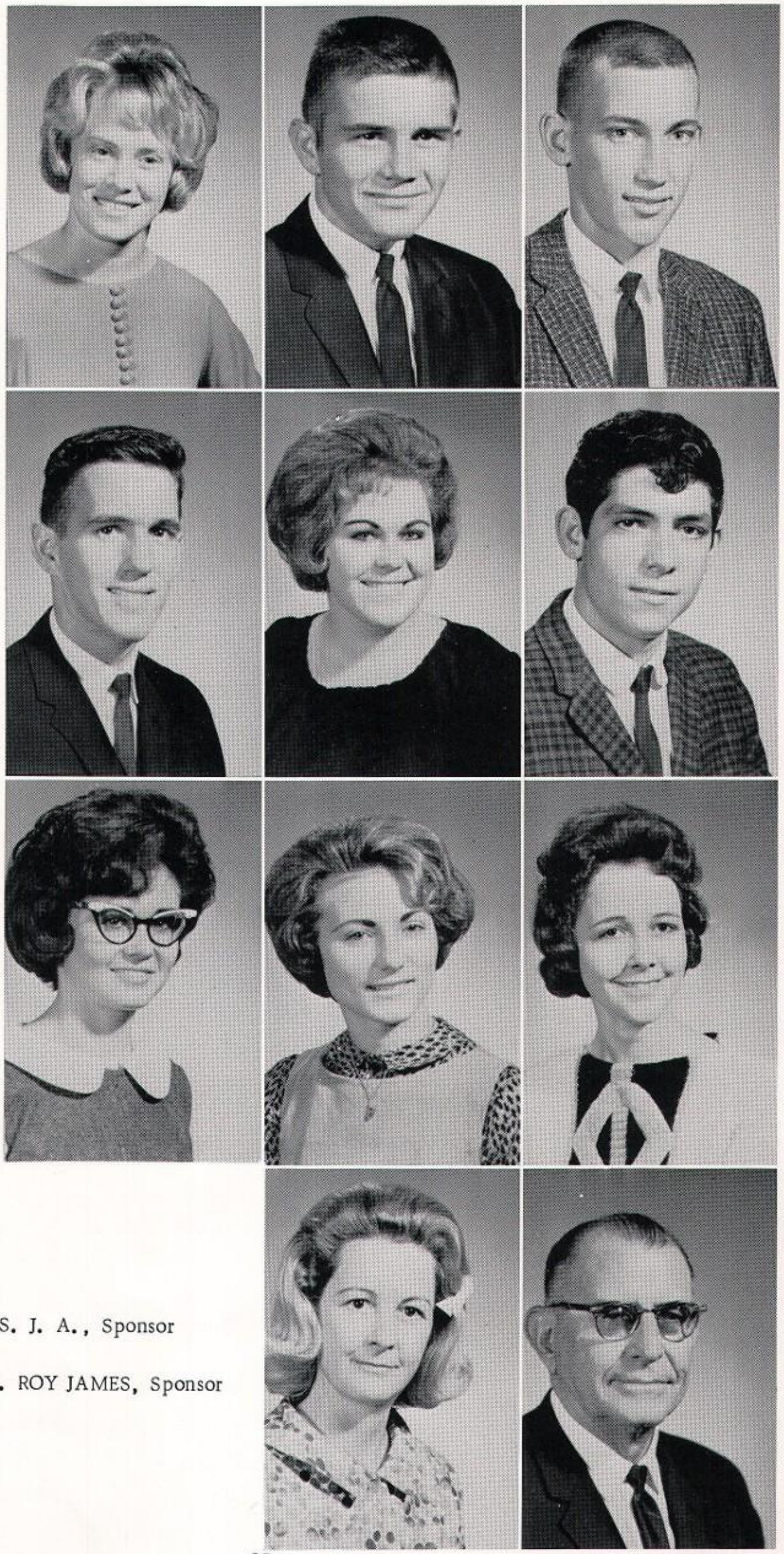
MAPP, PATRICIA JEAN: F. H. A., Junior and Senior Plays, Yearbook Staff.

ROBINSON, NAREL: F. F. A., Junior and Senior Plays, H. S. Favorite.

TATE, PHYLLIS JAN: Yearbook Editor, Student Council, F. H. A., Junior and Senior Plays.

THORNTON, JO ANN: F. H. A., Junior and Senior Plays.

VYERS, ROSA FRANKLIN:



BLOCKER, MRS. J. A., Sponsor

WATSON, MR. ROY JAMES, Sponsor

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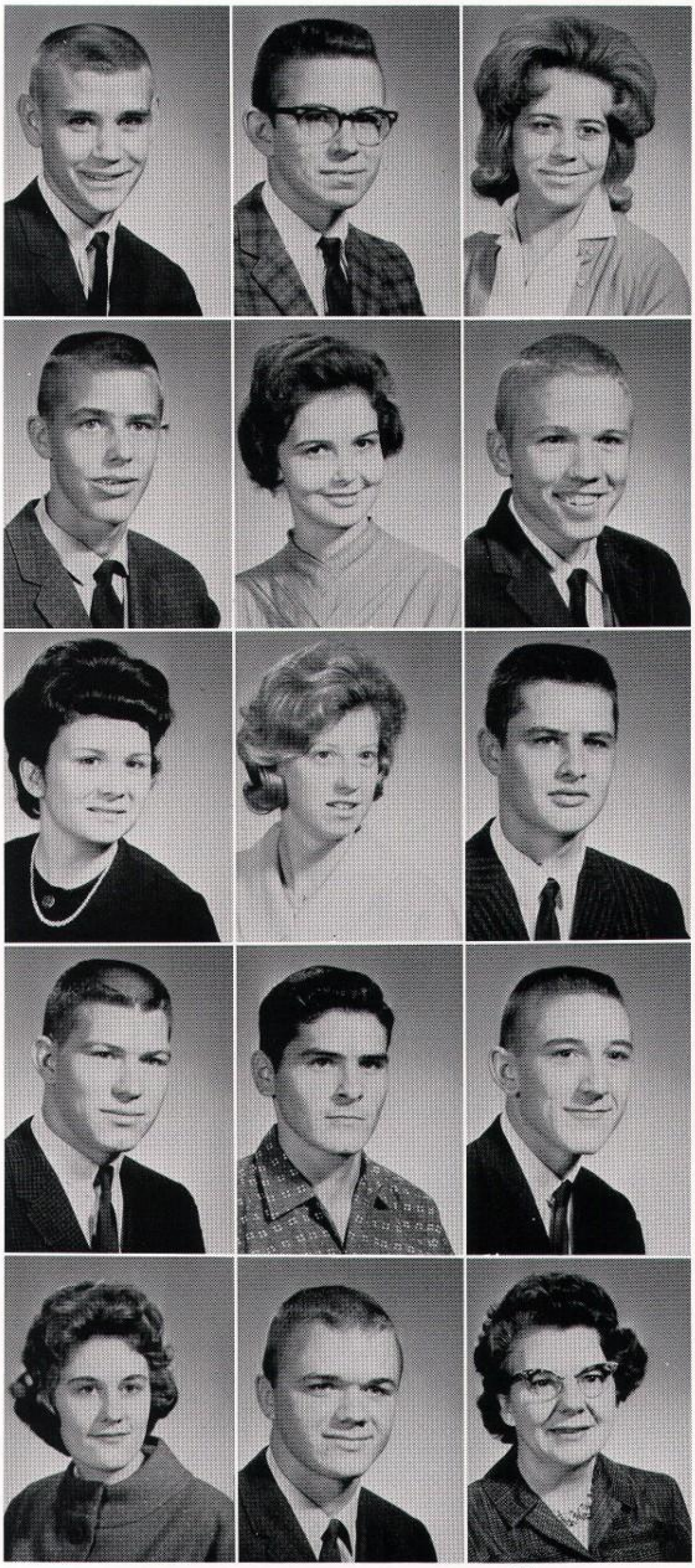

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KINSALA, NORMA SUE
LAMARQUE, SANDRA FAYE
McDONALD, EDWARD LEE

OATES, GARY WAYNE
SANTOS, RAMON
SLADE, JIMMY GORDON

STACKS, CATHY RE
WADLEY, JOHN GRANVILLE
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Sponsor

Sophomores

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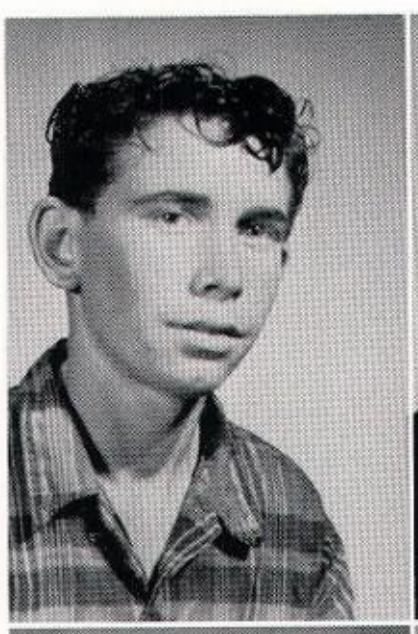

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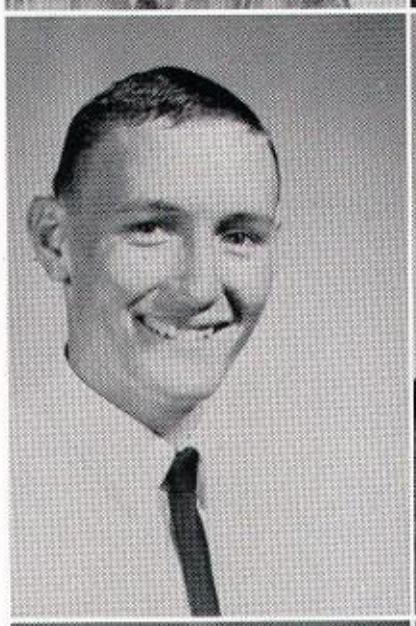

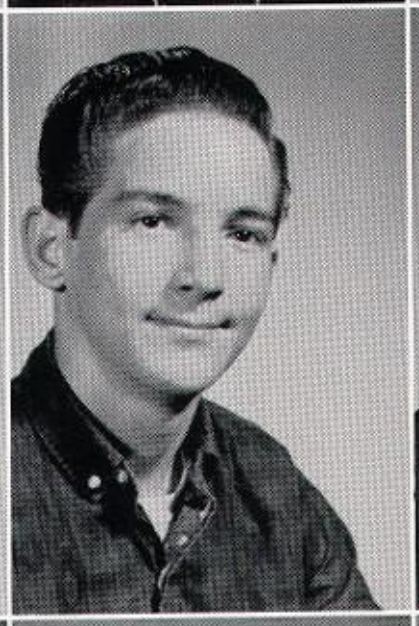

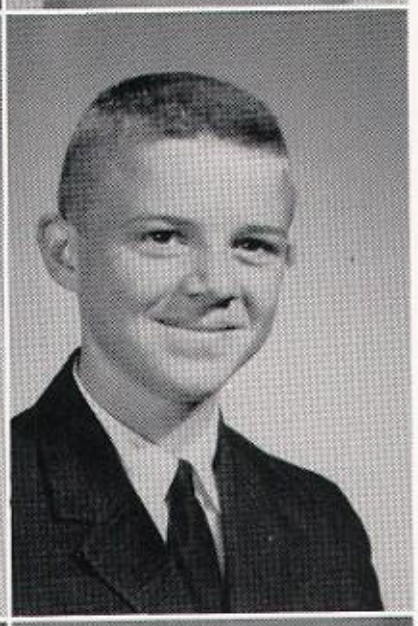

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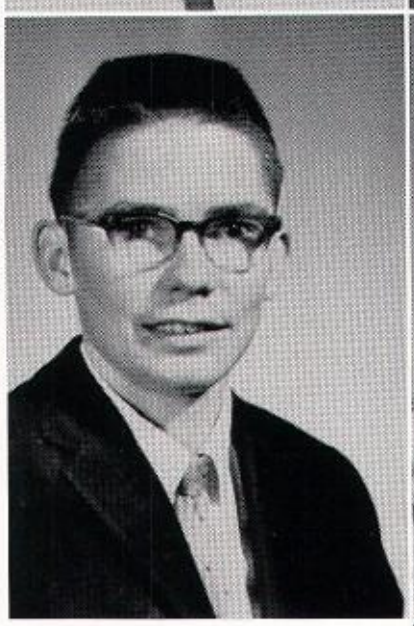

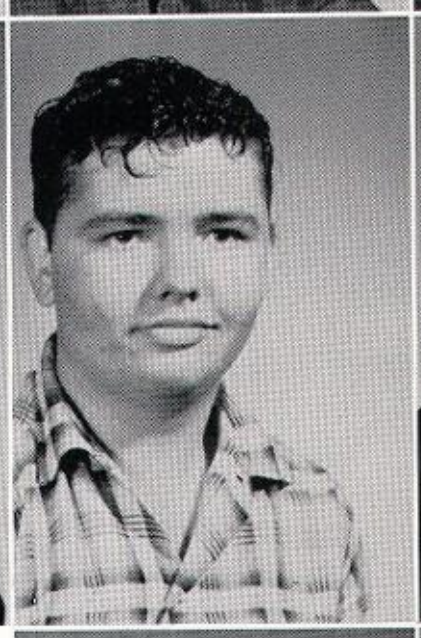

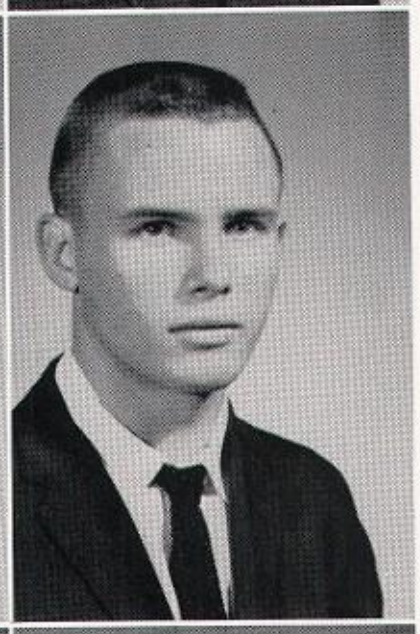

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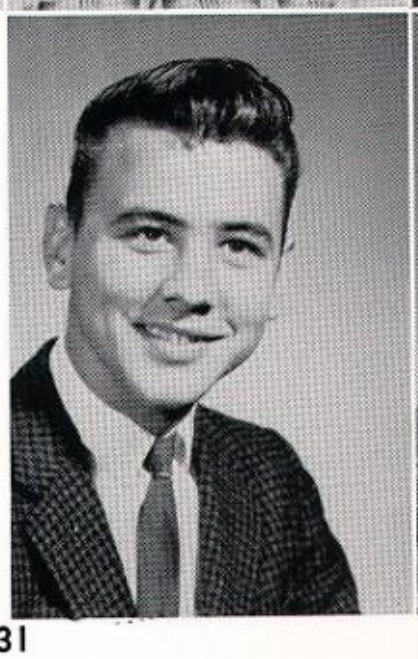

Freshmen

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BARKLEY, MARY LOU
BLOCKER, JOHN MARION

COLLINS, MICHAEL LYNN
FULLER, VICTOR WALLACE
GREENWAY, PATSY DARLENE

HARPER, BILLY GEORGE
HARPER, PATRICIA GAYLE
HOLLEMAN, PAMELA

JONES, BRENDA JAN
JORDAN, LINDA KAY
LIVAR, VICTORIA

MORENO, AMELIA
ROBINSON, WILLIAM EVERETT
SLADE, LAWRENCE DEAN

THOMPSON, KAREN SUE
SCALLORN, MRS. T. N.,
Sponsor

Eighth Grade

ALLEN, LANA DIANNE
CHAMBERLAND, BOBBY
COLSTON, BRENDA S.

DENNIE, DANNY
DENNIE, GARY D.
DREWERY, MICHAEL

FULLER, DONALD R.
GREENLEE, MICHAEL
JACKSON, MICHAEL

KINSALA, DONNA LOU
McNEESE, ORA LEE
PRUDE, CHARLES LEE

SANTOS, FREDDIE
THORNTON, THURMA FAYE
WESTER, JERRY KEN

WESTER, JIMMY CAL
WILLIAMS, DANE
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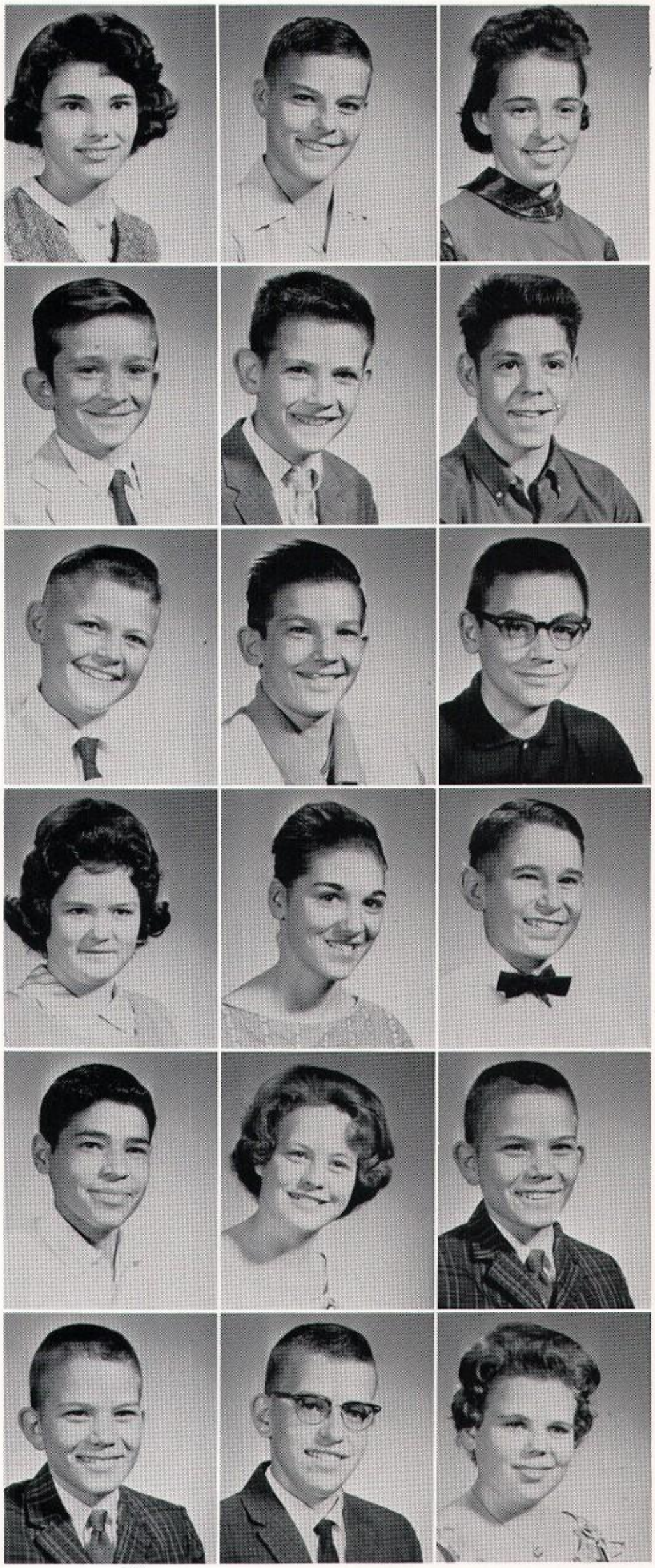

Seventh Grade

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CABLE, BRENDA SUE

COLQUITT, NANCY
CRYER, JOYCE
DENNIE, DOUGLAS

FRANKLIN, THOMAS
HARMON, STANLEY
HARPER, THOMAS
McCLELLAN

JENNINGS, ROGER
JORDAN, BRENDA
McCORMICK, MICHAEL

McNEESE, DONA ROSE
MARKHAM, RANDY
PENNINGTON, JOHN

SCHWARTZ, JERRY
TATE, DEBORAH

Sixth Grade

BLOCKER, GERALD
CLEVELAND, MARILYN
COLLINS, CAROLYN
COTTONGAME, PATSY KAY

CRYER, VIRGINIA
CULBERTSON, LARRY NEAL
DAVIS, EDWIN WAYNE
DELGADO, MARY ALICE

GREENLEE, JIMMY
GUNTER, NORMAN
HARPER, JIMMY D.
HOBBS, THELMA L.

McNEESE, ELVA MAY
MERCER, MICHAEL
MORENO, HILARIO
MURCHISON, LARRY

PARKER, VIRGINIA
PRINCE, MALCOLM DALE
RICKMAN, TOMMY
ROBINSON, VIRGINIA

SANTOS, GLORIA

Fifth Grade

BAKER, STEPHEN
CALDWELL, KENNY
COLQUITT, MICHAEL

COTTONGAME, CAROLYN
COTTONGAME, JOE
DENNIE, JERRY LEE

FONTENOT, DONNA
HARMON, VICKIE
HARPER, DEBRA

HERNANDEZ, ERNEST
JORDAN, EUGENE
KEMP, BRENDA

LISMAN, SHARON
McCLAIN, ELIZABETH
MARKHAM, CINDY

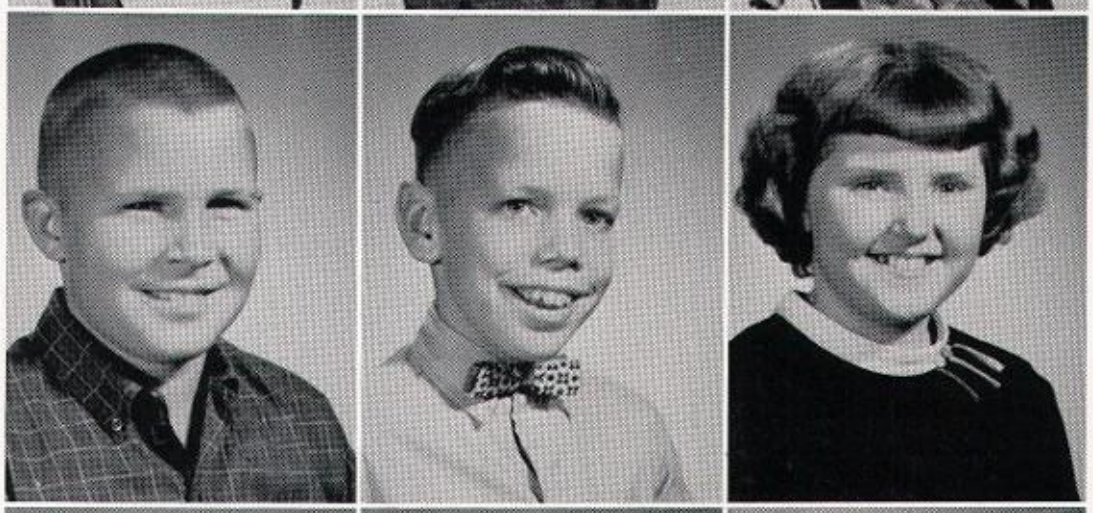
PARTEN, JAMES

SLADE, DONALD

Fourth Grade

BRUMLEY, D'LYNN
COLLINS, DEBORAH
COX, STEPHEN

EVANS, PAUL
HARRIS, KENNETH
HEARD, RITA



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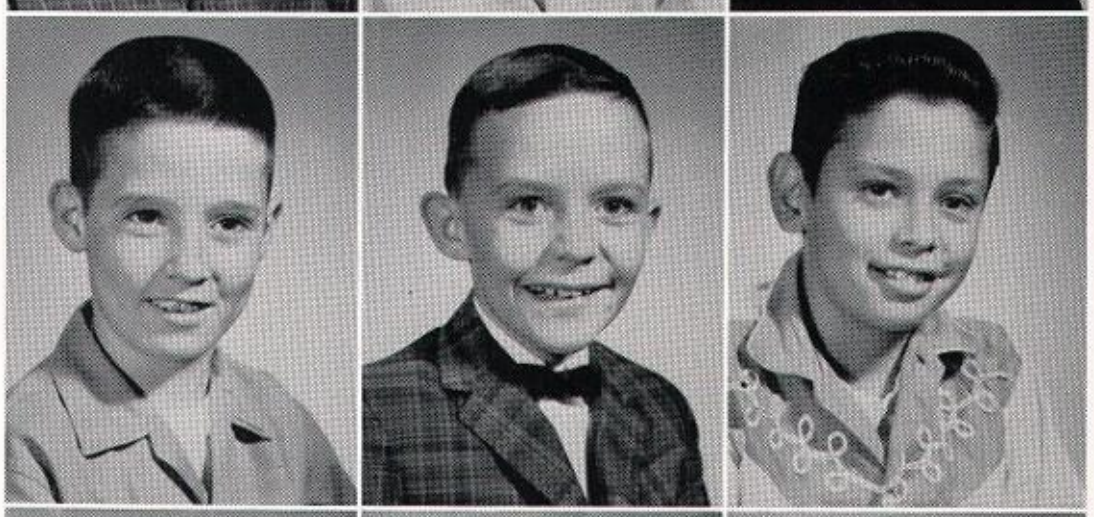

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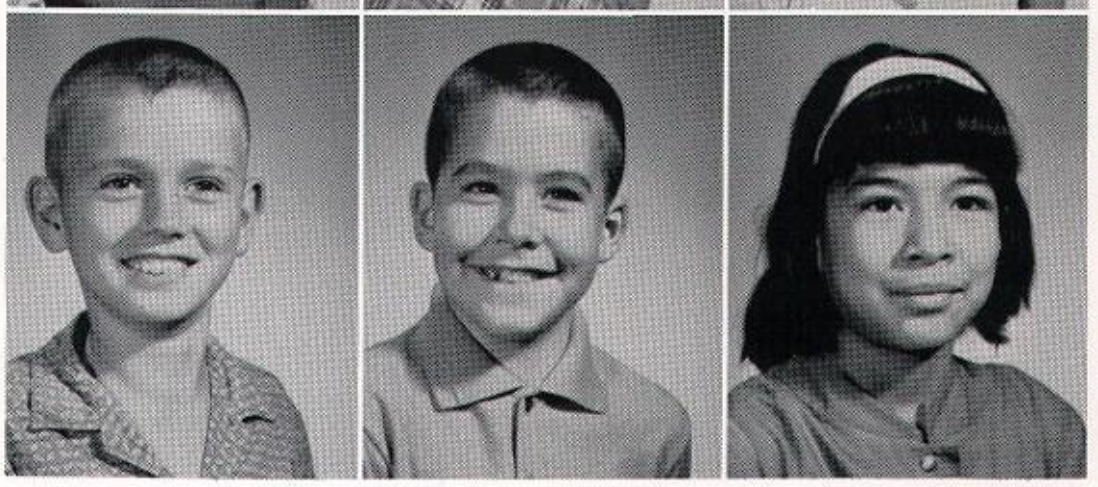

Third Grade

ANDREWS, PAMELA
BAKER, MORRIS LEE
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BRAZIER, DUANE

COLLINS, REBECCA
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DELGADO, RAYMOND
DELGADO, JUANITA

DENNIE, MARY
GRIMES, KENT
HARPER, KIRBY
HERNANDEZ, MARTHA

HILL, DEBORAH
HOBBS, JAMES
HOWARD, LUCINDY
JACKSON, SHERYL

KEMP, LARRY
MARTIN, DONNIE
MORENO, DOMINGO
OWEN, RICKEY

PATE, JULIE
RICKMAN, ELAINE
STACKS, ROGER
TIBBS, NOVA

TUCK, TOMMY
WAFER, SIDNEY
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Second Grade

BURKES, JERRY
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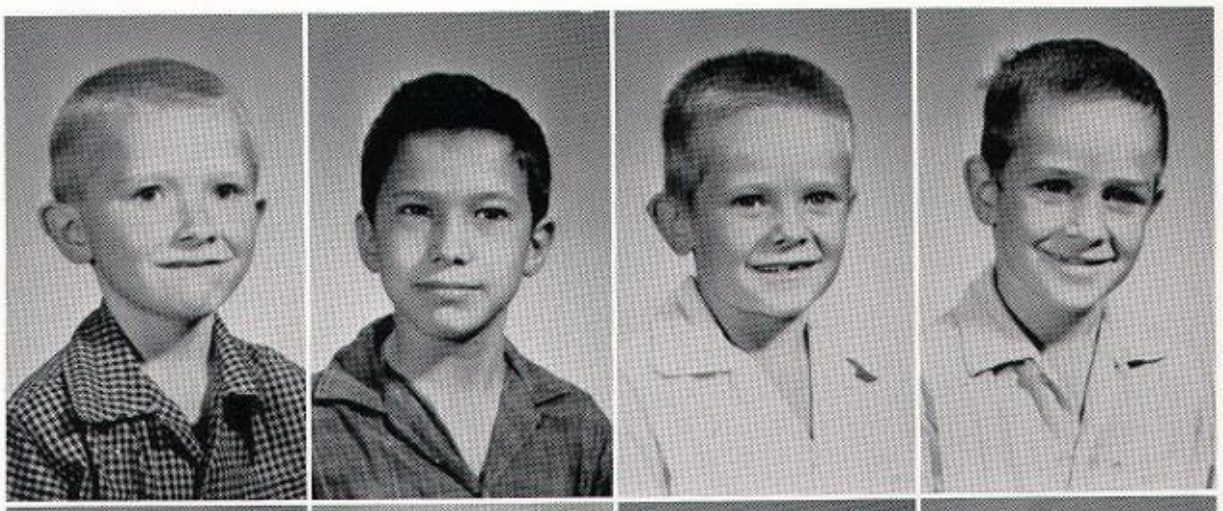
DENNIE, ALVIE
DENNIE, BILLY



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MARTIN, RICHARD

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MORENO, DORA
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MURCHISON, JAMES

PARKER, ELAINE
REEVES, ROBIN L.
SMITH, SONDRA K.

First Grade

ALLEN, BRUCE
ANDREWS, ALEC
BAKER, SCOTTIE
BRATCHER, FLOYD
BRATCHER, LOYD

BURNS, BRENDA
BUTLER, BARBARA
CLEVELAND, CECILIA
COTTONGAME, BARBARA
COTTONGAME, BRINDA

DELGADO, ELENA
DENNIE, JOE
GARCIA, GEORGE
HEARD, SANDRA
HILL, PATRICIA

HOBBS, ROBERT
HOLLEMAN, PATTI
JOHNSON, CECELIA
KEMP, DONALD
LIVAR, ELISA

McELHANEY, VICKY
MORENO, VICTOR
MURCHISON, JUDY
PARTEN, JOE
PRINCE, KRISTI

PRINCE, WAYNE
RAY, DANIEL
SLADE, VALERIE
STACKS, SARA

Personalities

"I look forward to an America which will not be afraid of grace and beauty---which will steadily enlarge cultural opportunities for all of our citizens. And I look forward to a world which will be safe not only for democracy and diversity but also for personal distinction."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

High School Favorites

NAREL ROBINSON
LEONA COTTONGAME

Senior Narel and sophomore Leona were chosen in a general election of the P. H. S. Student Body. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cottongame.

F.H.A. Beau and F.F.A. Sweetheart

DANNY EPPS
PHYLLIS JAN TATE

Future Homemakers chose a best beau in Danny Epps while the Future Farmer of America picked Phyllis Tate as their sweetheart. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lester Epps and Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Tate.

Harvest Goddess

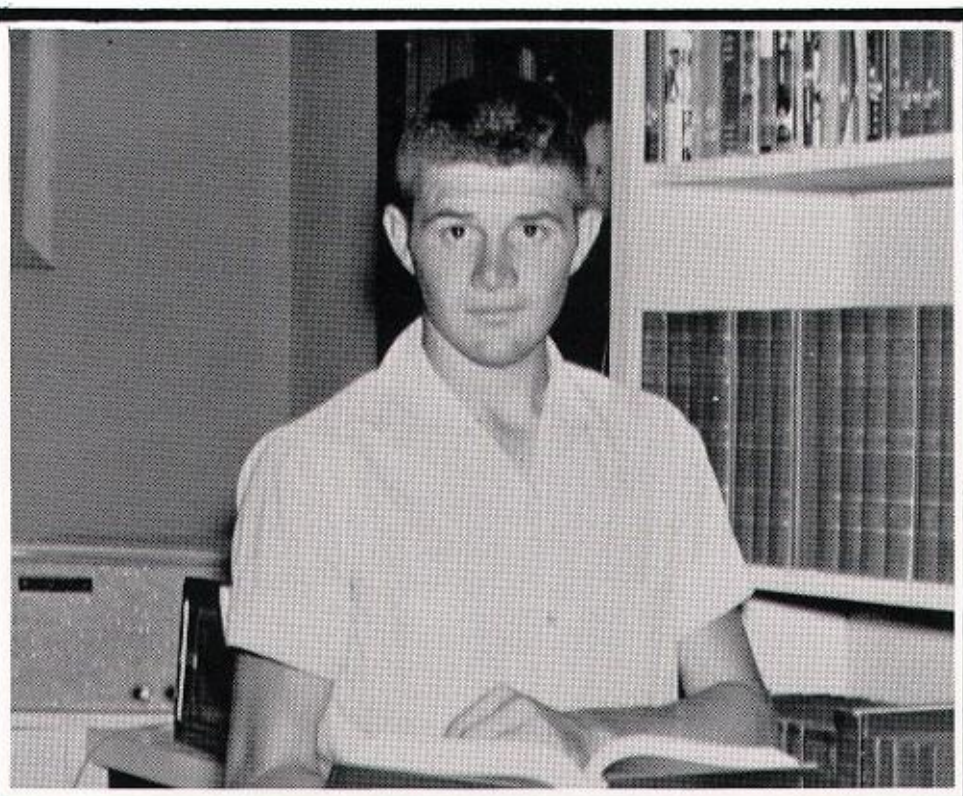
PHYLLIS JAN TATE

Phyllis won the much sought after title of Harvest Goddess to reign in our November Festival. Her escort is Stephen Long. Both students are seniors in Palmer High. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tate and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Long.

Junior High Favorites

VIRGINIA ROBINSON
JIMMY DUANE HARPER

Selected favorites by students in the junior high school, Virginia and Jimmy are both members of the sixth grade. They won in a general election. Parents are the W. T. Robinsons and the James Harpers.



Who's Who

VALEDICTORIAN

James Hugh Harper

Honors for James Hugh Harper were earned the hard way. Jimmy won top scholastic honors by his studies over a four year period in high school. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Harper of Palmer. Jimmy plans to attend college in the fall.

DRAMATICS

Patricia Ann Collins

For her outstanding work in the senior class play "SHOW BIZ," Pat Collins won the coveted drama award. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Collins and a senior student in P. H. S. Pat was really overjoyed at receiving this award which she richly deserved.

TOP ATHLETES
Sandra La Marque
Edward McDonald

Like all awardees in Who's Who, these two were selected by the faculty as the two best athletes in P. H. S. This was Sandra's first year to really try her hand in our youth fitness program. Edward tries all sports and does a good job. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Matt La Marque of Ennis and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McDonald of Palmer.

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SALUTATORIAN
PUBLICATIONS AWARDEE

Phyllis Jan Tate

Phyllis really deserves a place in Who's Who for her outstanding scholastic ability as the second highest ranking graduate and for her fine work in editing this edition of "FOOTPRINTS." She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tate of Palmer.

CITIZENSHIP

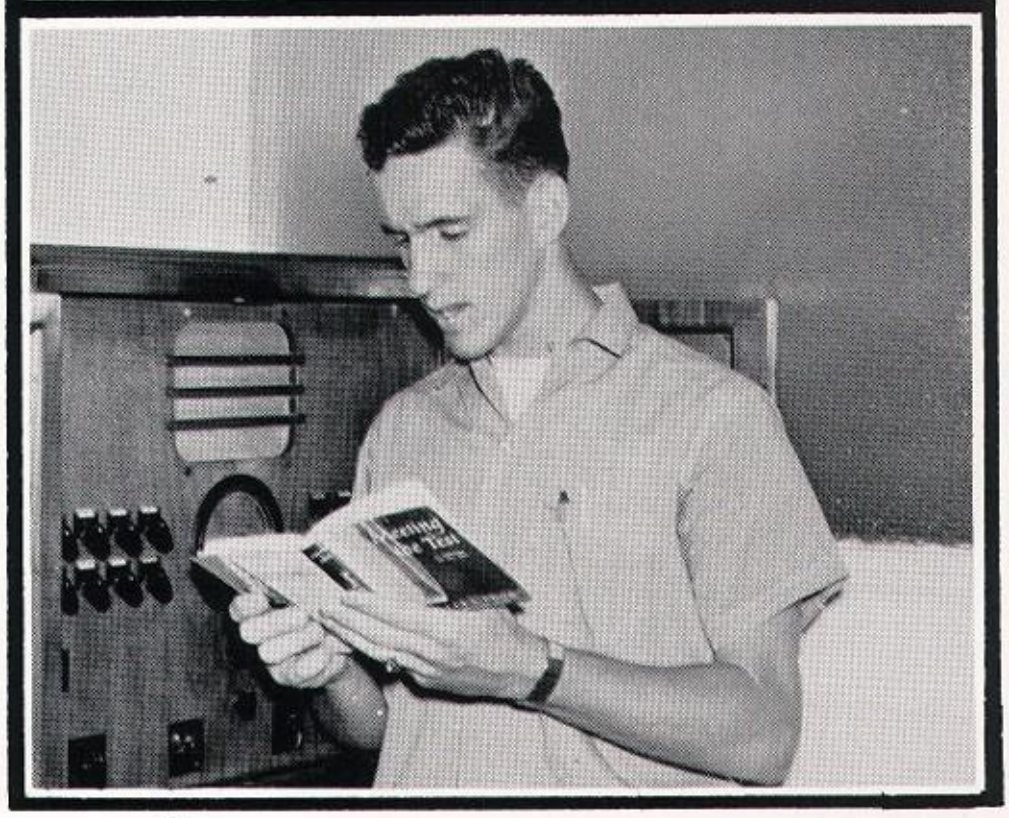
John Fuller

By a unanimous vote of the faculty, John was selected again this year as the outstanding citizen in our school. He is a sophomore and the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fuller. He exemplifies all the traits of good citizenship each day at school in the classroom and out. Congratulations to John!

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDEE

Stephen Lee Long

This award is limited to a senior student who has shown through his school career the best character, leadership, scholarship and service to his school. "FOOTPRINTS" salutes this year's winner, Stephen. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Long of Palmer. Stephen plans to attend college in the fall on a baseball scholarship.



Elementary Favorites

ROBERT DWAYNE HOBBS
SARA STACKS

This election was so popular that a rousing campaign and runoff gave our school these two adorable youngsters. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bobby C. Hobbs and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stacks. They are first graders.

Organizations

"Ask not what your country can do for you---ask what you can do for your country. Ask not what America will do for you, but what together we can do for the freedom of man."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

MRS. T. N. SCALLORN
SPONSOR

Pictured at right are Jimmy Slade, Joe Schwartz, Jack Bardwell, John Fuller, President Stephen Long, Norma Kinsala and Gayle Harper as they prepare to serve faculty on Dress Up Day at school which council sponsored. Group sponsors many useful activities during school and helps decide on student policies.

Palmer High School Student Council Serves Student Body Well in 1964

Pictured below left are Norma Sue Kinsala and Linda Jo Colquitt as they serve as election clerks during balloting of votes for school favorites. Council members are always willing and ready to serve both faculty and student body in any way helpful to the betterment of our school.

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MRS. J. A. BLOCKER
Adviser

Seated center is Editor Phyllis Tate with Business Manager Pat Mapp and Linda Colquitt as they plan layout of pages in the 1964 yearbook. Eager staff members look on to see just how the job is done.

Footprints Staff Publishes Memorial Edition

Staff gets all dressed up for a visit to the publisher in Dallas. Twelve members and Mr. Watson toured the plant in Dallas and watched a book being processed. Yearly trips by the staff are required by Mrs. Blocker.

Ramon Santos, veteran staff member, addresses the audience at assembly program where yearbook was dedicated to the late President Kennedy. The program was attended by many persons and entire student body. Ramon also served as chairman of drive for the funds for Kennedy Library.

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President Norma Sue Kinsala gets some sewing instructions from Mrs. Batton. Girls work on all phases of making the home a better place in which to live.

MRS. LUCEIL BATTON
Adviser

Future Homemakers of America

F. H. A. members, Linda Colquitt and Leona Cottongame, serve Mr. Watson and Mrs. Batton during a tea for the faculty in February. Tea was in the library and each girl served as a part of learning to be a good hostess.

Annie Franklin, Cathy Stacks, and Sandra La Marque are seen in the dresses they made in F. H. A. week. Girls modeled clothes for the P. T. A. in their study of good posture and appearance. F. H. A. work is enjoyed by every girl in our high school.

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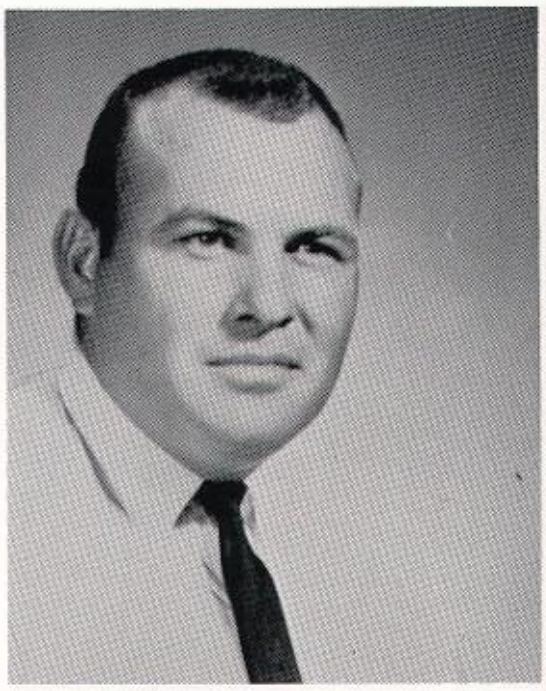
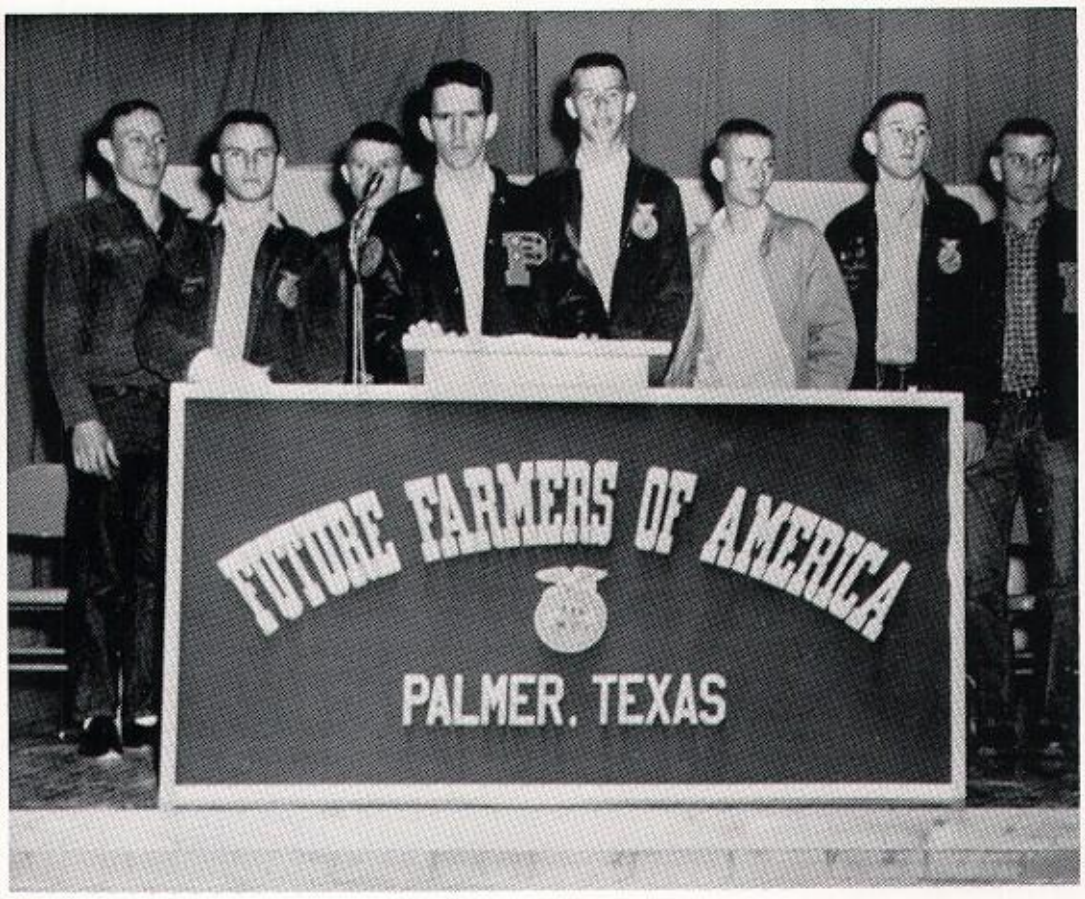


MR. HIBBERT BECK
Adviser



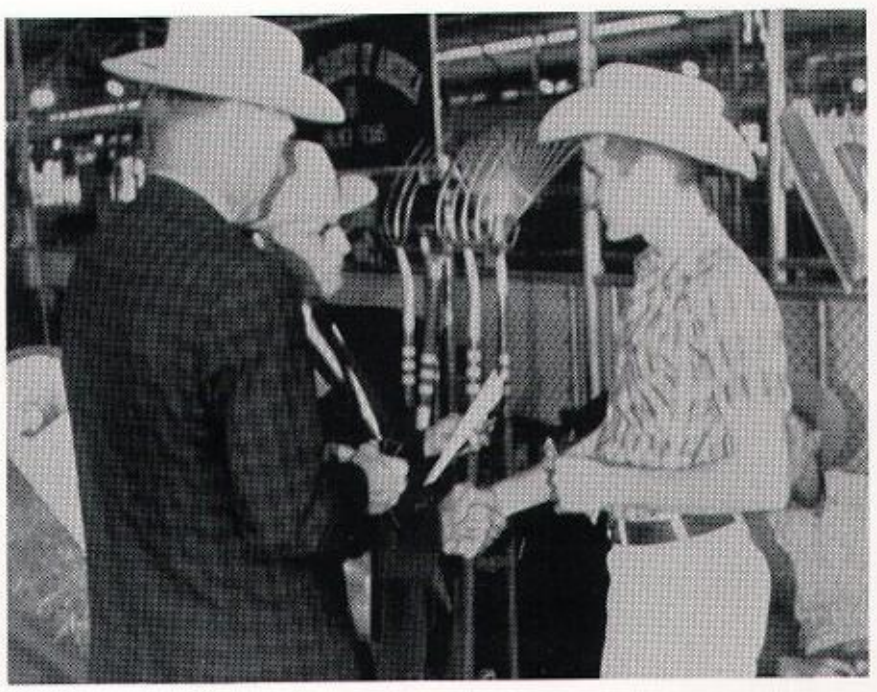
Pictured above at right is a group of Future Farmers as they presented an assembly during National F. F. A: Week. Stephen Long presides as boys told of all phases of F. F. A. work in our school.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR BOYS

STUDYING VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

Seen below at left is Danny Epps, Billy Harris, President Jimmy Harper, and Billy Harper in show calf stall at the State Fair of Texas where the boys stayed a week day and night preparing calves for livestock show. Seen at right is President Jimmy Harper receiving Housekeeping Award on behalf of Palmer Chapter from officials of State Fair of Texas. Danny Epps placed second with his calf, Billy Harris placed second, and Jimmy Harper placed third. Boys receive ribbon awards and prize money for their animals. Chapter is very active in our school.



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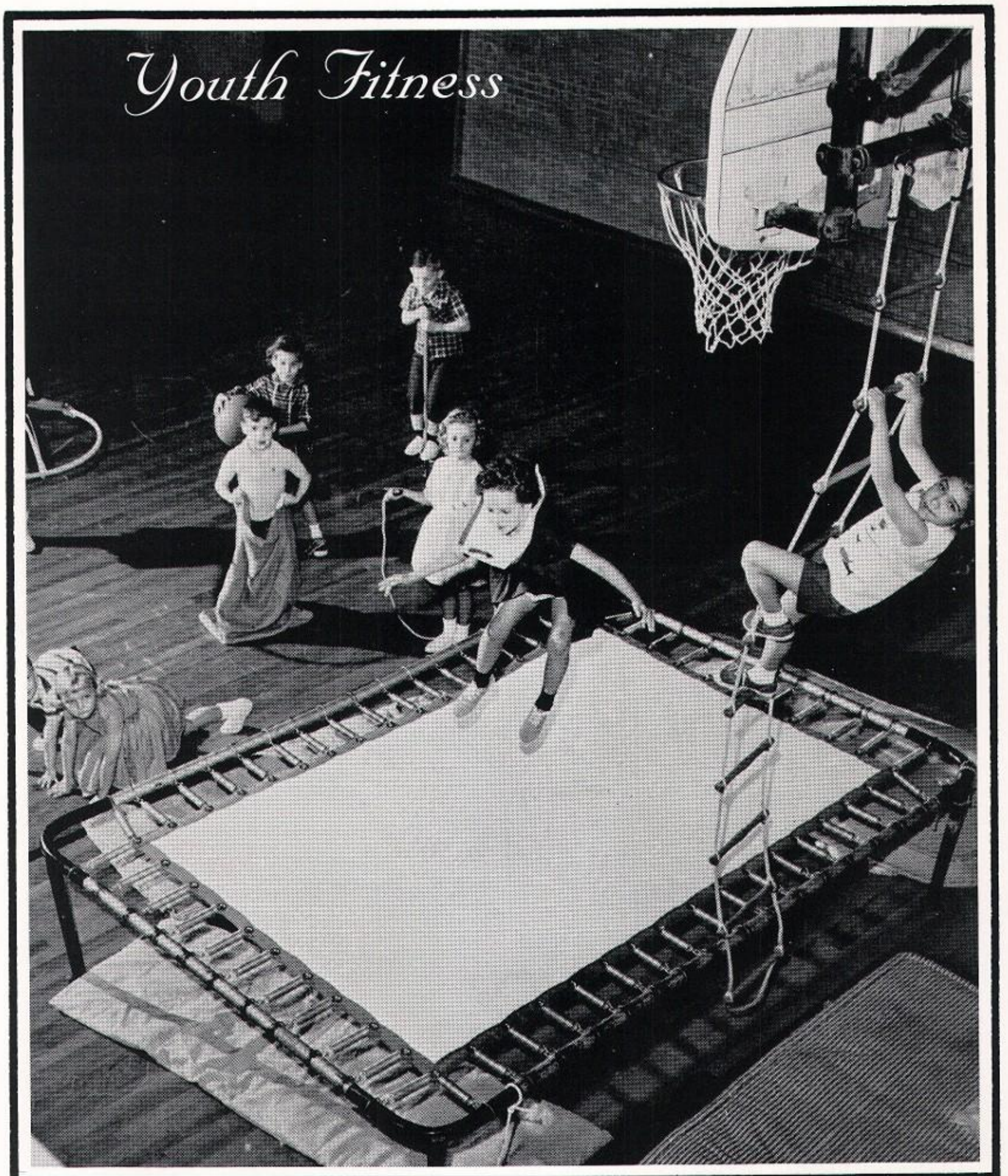
Parent Teacher Association

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT, MRS. WAYNE MURCHISON FIRST VICE PRESIDENT, MRS. L. H. BARRON SECOND VICE PRES., MRS. BERT STINSON, THIRD VICE, MRS. ERNEST HOBBS, SECRETARY, MRS. JAMES WESTER, TREASURER, MRS. BOBBY HOBBS, PARLIAMENTARIAN, MRS. W. M. PARKER, REPORTER, MRS. C. N. STACKS, HOSPITALITY CHAIRMAN, MRS. CHARLES DAVIS, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN, ROY JAMES WATSON, MAGAZINE CHAIRMAN, MRS. A. M. BOON, PIANIST, MRS. T. N. SCALLORN.

Seen above is President Mrs. Wayne Murchison with some of the officers at a meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association. This group of men and women meet the second Tuesday in each month for a planned program to enlighten the members on the needs and problems of our school. The theme for this year's work has been: "We The P. T. A. Seek To Understand The Family Story." Their motto: Service is our Watchword, Child Welfare is our Aim, Better Life Conditions the Success We Claim. Each of the programs for this year have dealt with the betterment of the family through the instruction of parents and teachers. Some of the subjects have been education, finances, love, home, community, and happiness. One of the main objects for the year has been to promote the welfare of the children and youth in home, school, church and community. Mrs. Murchison has done a fine job this year in leading the organization to achieve each goal attained.



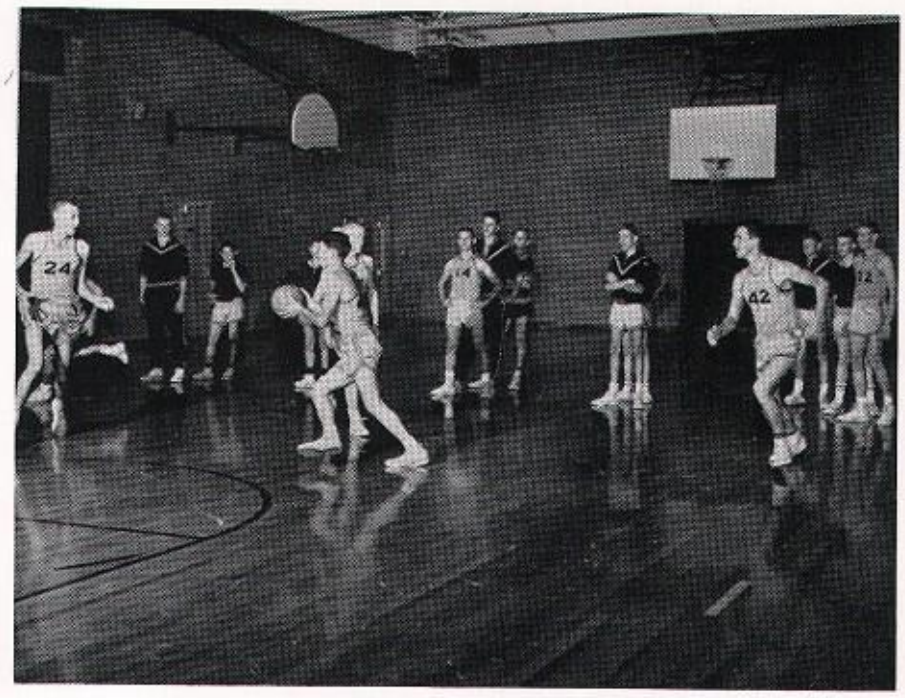
"The knowledge that the physical well being of every citizen is an important foundation for the vigor and vitality of all the activities of the nation."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

The team composed of: Johnny Wadley, William Burkes, Billy Harper, Victor Fuller, Everett Robinson, Ronnie Caldwell, Danny Hobbs, Billy Harris, Ramon Santos, Tommy Harper, Edward McDonald, Jack Bardwell, Larry Slade, Jimmy Harper, Coach Richardson, Stephen Long, Joe Schwartz and John Fuller won second place in District 31 B.

Boys' Basketball Team Wins Second in District

Even though they did not take the top award, boys had a good season and came out in second place. Seen below is the team in a regular practice session.



DISTRICT SCHEDULE

Palmer		Opponents
67-58	Forreston	79-60
78-72	Avalon	56-49
51-77	Milford	36-50
90-62	Maypearl	39-46
86-89	Italy	71-62
81-87	Red Oak	38-58

COACH BILLY EARL RICHARDSON

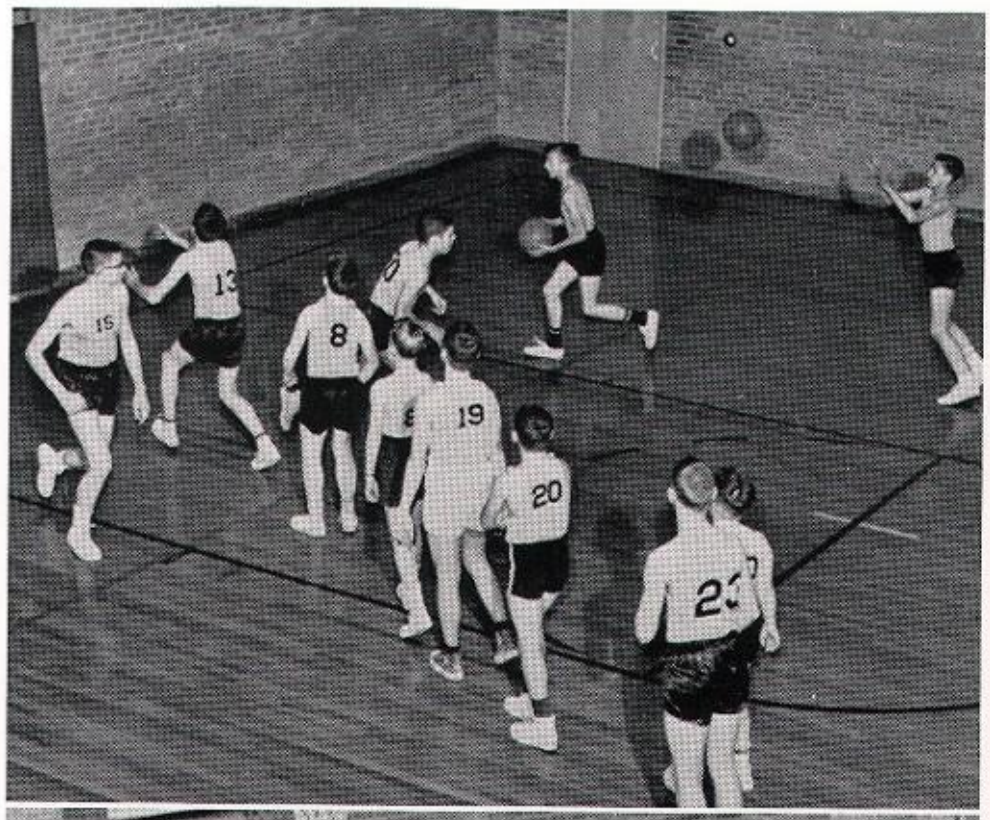
Coach Earl Richardson is seen prior to game time talking with his girls' team. Pictured are: left to right, Norma Sue Kinsala, Sandra LaMarque, Coach Richardson, Karen Thompson, Gayle Harper, Linda Colquitt, Pat Collins, Leona Cottongame and Pam Holleman.

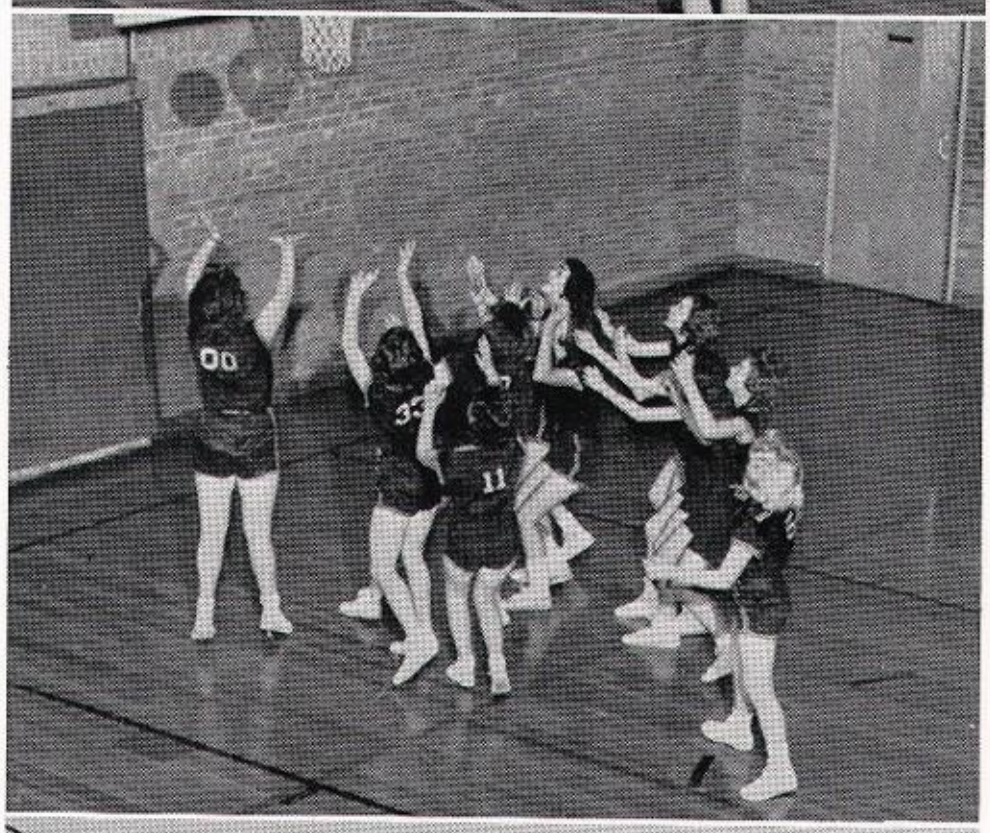
Girls' Basketball Team Wins Third in District

DISTRICT SCHEDULE

Palmer		Opponents
43-47	Forreston	59-51
62-62	Avalon	23-33
33-42	Milford	40-37
46-60	Maypearl	51-41
51	Italy	54
55-63	Red Oak	35-57

Even though the wins are not always on our side, practice is rigorous and hard for those girls who participate. They are seen below in school gymnasium.





Youth Fitness Is Stressed

Junior high school boys take part in the school gymnasium in a program of physical fitness. Mr. Tom Brock works hard at seeing that each boy gets one hour during the school day of vigorous physical exercise. Boys are seen at left during basketball season as they work in the gym. Boys organized a team and played in a league in Ellis County.

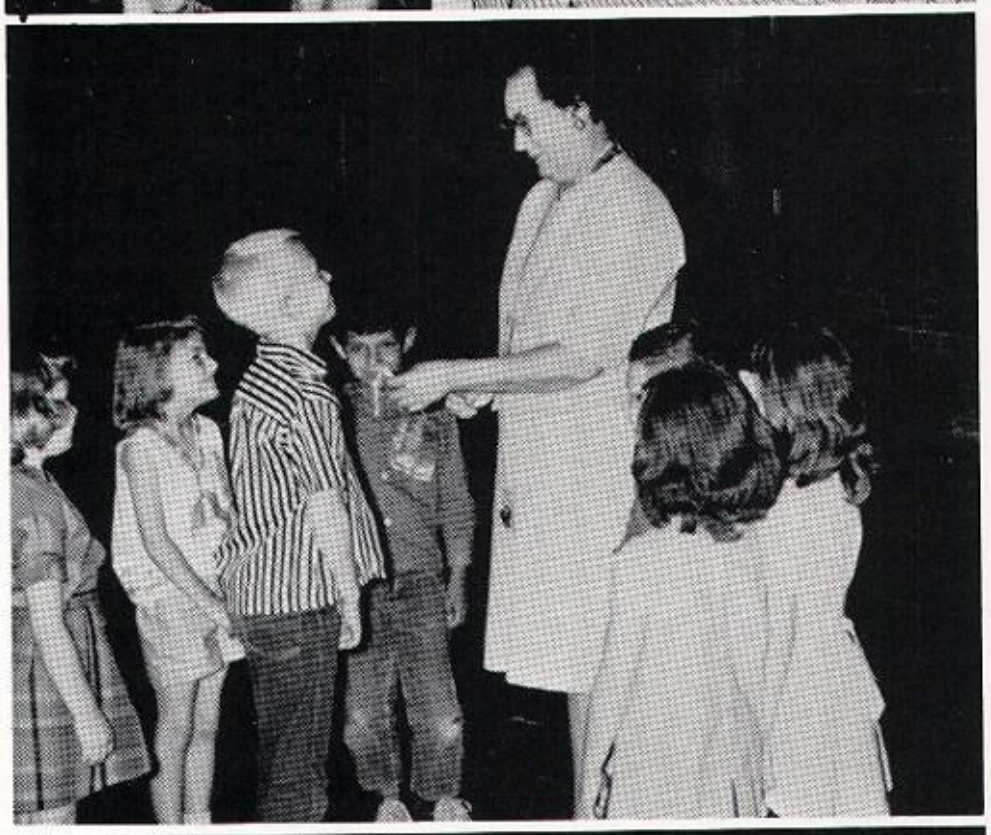
Junior high school girls are trained by Mr. Tom Brock, girl's physical education instructor. They are seen at left preparing for a game of basketball. Girls work for one full class period to perfect their bodies by taking exercises. They do all phases of activity in the school gymnasium. The picture at left only tells part of the story of youth fitness in our school.

Mr. Brock likes to stress track and field events to those interested. Seen at left is Joe Schwartz as he wins the 100 yard dash at a district track event held in Corsicana. Joe participated in various events and brought back several blue ribbons to our school. This is another of the types of physical education that Mr. Brock stresses. Joe is a sophomore in high school and plays other sports besides track events.

in Palmer Public School

Commemorating the vital need for youth fitness as expressed by the late President Kennedy, Miss Eula Stinson, first grade teacher, celebrated with YOUTH FITNESS DAY. Twenty eight little athletes in the first grade took part in the program. Seen at right are Sue Kinsala, Linda Colquitt, and Sandra La Marqué who assisted with the program. Girls in first grade are getting their ribbons pinned on.

Several first graders stand near Miss Stinson as she presents a ribbon to Wayne Prince, winner in one of the events. Wayne had been injured in an automobile accident and came through to win a ribbon for his participation in one event. Fellow classmates are just as proud of Wayne as is Miss Stinson. Through hard work and much effort, youngster mastered many phases of youth fitness in the first grade.



Senior student Steve Long was the director of the YOUTH FITNESS DAY and is seen at right presenting the loving cup to Joe David Parten as the winner of the most ribbons. Looking on are other winners: Robby Hobbs, Kristi Prince, Sara Stacks, Barbara Cottongame, Daniel Ray and Elena Delgado. Little students took part in nine different events such as trampoline, pogo, racing, jumping, rope climbing, hula hoop, sack racing, ball bouncing and run and jump.

Pictured above standing are: Coach Earl Richardson, Joe Schwartz, Charles Kemp, Jimmy Slade, Louis Barron, Steve Long, Danny Hobbs. Seated: Jack Bardwell, Ramon Santos, Natel Robinson, Jimmy Harper, Edward McDonald, Tommy Harper and John Fuller.

SCHEDULE

PALMER		OPPONENTS
6-22-13	Forreston	4-0-0
12- 8	Avalon	1-1
6- 6	Maypearl	0-0
2- 8-3	Italy	6-4-1

Palmer defeated Mildred High 10-3 in Bi-District Playoff

PALMER BULLDOG BASEBALL TEAM WINS FIFTH STRAIGHT BI-DISTRICT TITLE

Steve Long closed the season with a 11-1 pitching record and a batting average of .302. He plans to attend college on baseball scholarship.

Ramon Santos had the highest batting average of any team member, .685. He has consistently been a leading hitter for the team during his high school days.

Activities

"I am talking about genuine peace---the kind of peace that makes life on earth worth living---and the kind that enables men and nations to grow and to hope and build a better life for their children---Not merely peace for Americans but peace for all men and women ---Not merely peace in our time but peace in all time."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

Harvest

Upper left: "Turkeys" are always welcome for a HARVEST FESTIVAL and ours had Rickey Owen, Robin Reeves, Gary Fontenot, Britt Holleman, Donnie Martin, Rob Stacks, James Parten and Mike Colquitt dressed and ready to be served. The "Turkeys" sang "Guffy, the Goofy Gobler."

Upper right: Who would enjoy a meal without good vegetables? Elizabeth McClain, Suzanne McClain and Vickie Harmon are the "Turnips." Patsy Cottongame, Donna Fontenot and Cindy Markham are the "String Beans." Virginia Parker, Mary Lou Moreno and Carolyn Cottongame are the "Corn." This group sang "Together Wherever We Go."

Left: D'Lynn Brumley, Rita Heard, Geraldine Blocker and Thelma Hobbs came on stage as loaves of "Bread" and together with Steve Baker, Kenny Caldwell, Jimmy Wester and Jerry Wester who represented "Milk," this group of youngsters sang "Mutual Admiration Society."

Lower left: Everyone was filled with anticipation as Superintendent Roy James Watson came forward and placed the Grecian Tiara on the head of Phyllis Jan Tate proclaiming her as the Goddess of the HARVEST FESTIVAL. Looking on are her escort, Stephen Long, Norma Sue Kinsala and her escort, Johnny Wadley. They served as a part of the court in the ceremony and graciously served the Goddess during her reign.

Festival

Above: "Blueberries" and "Cranberries" go to make up a colorful meal and musical number for our festival. Here are Dora Moreno, Nova Tibbs, Patsy McNeese, Dora Harmon, Elaine Parker, Janie Lou Blocker, Elaine Rickman, Sheree Wilson and Pamelia Andrews who sang "Life is Just a Bowl of Berries."

Upper right: What would a festival be without pumpkins? We had a colorful array of fat little pumpkins: Ann Johnson, Robby Hobbs, Sandra Heard, Judy Murchison, Valerie Slade, Kristi Prince, Patti Holleman, Vicky McElhaney, Brinda Cottongame, Barbara Cottongame and Bruce Allen. They sang "The Happy Pumpkin."

Right: As all of the "Food" had been on stage, now it was time for the festival to begin. For a welcome song the entire group sang "Consider Yourself." Narrator for the program is Edwin Wayne Davis who came in the garb of Uncle Sam and did a wonderful job during the entire program.

Right: The entire cast of the HARVEST FESTIVAL is shown at right. Lucindy Howard and Kirby Harper, Sharon Lisman and Donnie Slade, Nancy Colquitt and Jerry Schwartz, Thurma Thornton and Dane Williams, Norma Kinsala, John Wadley, Linda Colquitt, John Fuller, Stephen Long, Edwin Davis, Phyllis Tate, Karen Thompson, Larry Slade, Virginia Robinson, Mike Greenlee, Debbie Collins, Steve Cox, Sondra Smith, Melvin Greenlee and Sara Stacks. Those on left and right in picture came dressed as Colonists from first eight countries settled in the U.S.A.

Drama

"MY FAIR LADY" starred Phyllis Tate and Steve Long in a bit of the play featured on SHOW BIZ by the senior class.

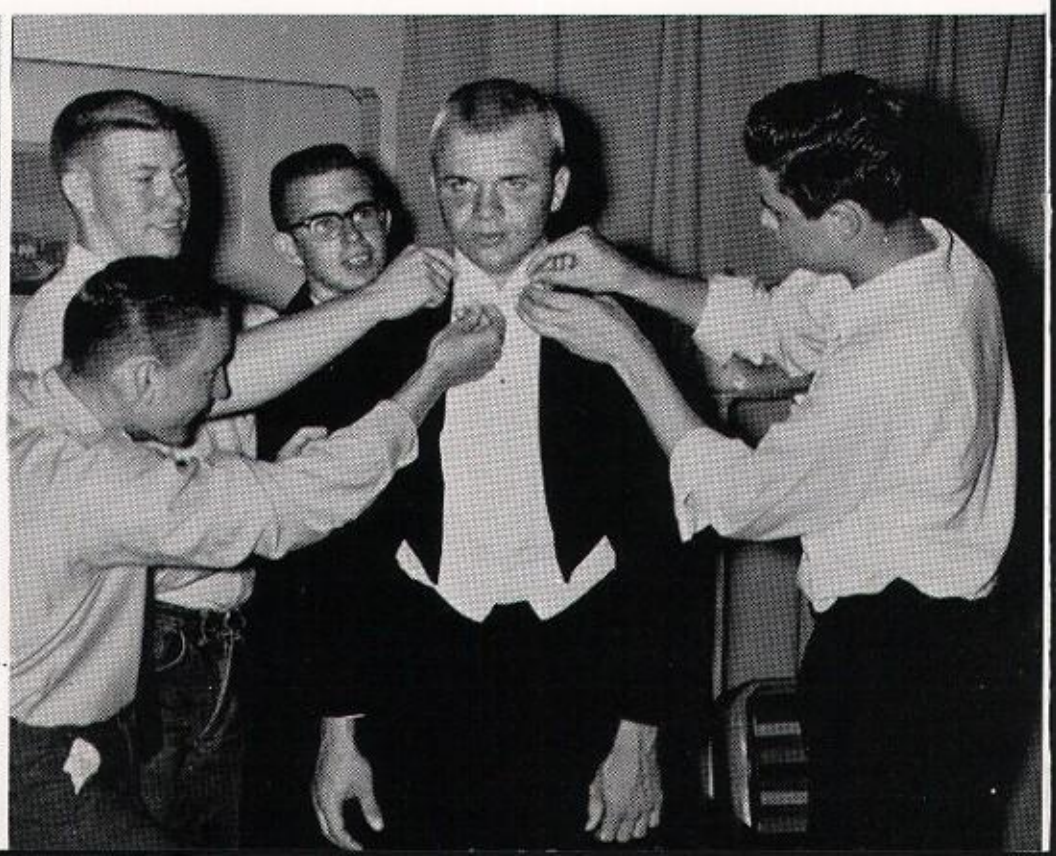
"ANNIE GET YOUR GUN" featured Jo Ann Thornton in a bit of the play for SHOW BIZ. Her little brothers were played by Britt Holleman and Rickey Owen who echoed "Annie Oakley" as she sang "Doin What Comes Naturally."

Narel Robinson, left, assumed the role of an older gentleman and sang to Sara Stacks and Sondra Smith. "Thank Heaven For Little Girls" from the musical "GIGI." Senior class had a delightful time learning bits of these fine plays and played to a large audience. The night of entertainment was directed by Mrs. J. A. Blocker.

"BORN LUCKY"

Annie Franklin, the maid, Danny Epps as Mac, Louis Barron as Mr. Lessing and Sue Kinsala as the debutante gave a fine performance in the junior class play, "BORN LUCKY," which was directed by Mrs. Letha Gleeson.

In the play about a boy's fraternity house, hog farmer, Johnny Wadley as McAllister came up with a fine comedy role. Gary Oates, John Fuller, Ronny Caldwell and Edward McDonald also turned in fine performances.



Music Is Vital Part of Our School Life

Above: "Miss" Jimmy Harper, Narel Robinson, Stephen Long and Danny Hobbs sing "There Is Nothing Like A Dame" from SOUTH PACIFIC. Boys did song on senior play night.

Upper right: Jerry Wester and Danny Hobbs introduced a bit of Broadway from a new show when they sang "Gonna Build a Mountain" from "STOP THE WORLD I WANNA GET OFF."

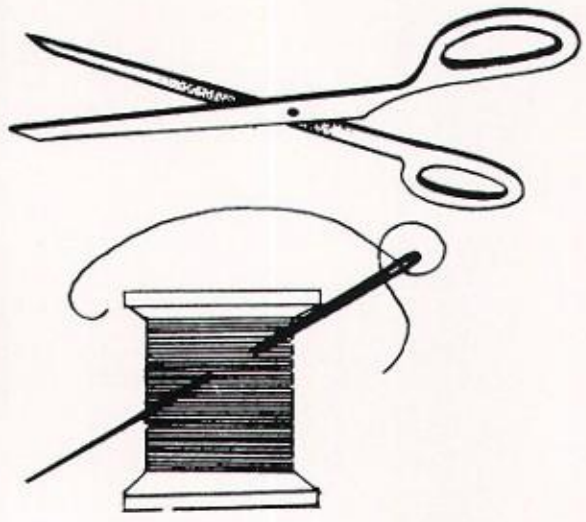
Right: Patricia Mapp stole the show when the senior presented bits of Broadway plays. She closed the show with her tribute to Sophie Tucker. Her song - "Some of These Days" was well received by the audience.

Mrs. Knox Mullican, piano teacher and music instructor in our school rehearses D'Lynn Brumley, Stephen Cox, Britt Holleman and Kenny Harris for a program. Quartet sang on Spring recital and did a fine job with folk music which is popular today.

The audience was waiting at commencement as Mrs. T. N. Scallorn gives a final word to the senior chorus. They sang Schubert's "Holy, Holy, Holy." Mrs. Scallord does all choral direction in our high school and is an accomplished musician herself.

F.H.A. Style Show of Spring Fashions for Palmer P.T.A.

Featuring the theme "FASHION IS A RAINBOW," members of the F.H.A. presented the clothes they had constructed in a style show. Karen Thompson and Patsy Greenway model identical dresses in tiny check while Linda Jordan and Martha Cryer dress up in the high empire waist cottons.



Brenda Jones, Linda Colquitt, Pam Holleman and Leona Cottongame model four completely different styles. Girls modeled clothes around flowers in the rainbow hues.

Gayle Harper models the princess line with Sue Kinsala in the casual wrap-around co-ordinates. Both as fresh and pretty as a daisy on the mantel.

COMMENCEMENT

Palmer Junior High School

Palmer, Texas

May 28, 1964

8 P.M.

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Processional.....“Entry of the Gladiators”.....Fucik
Mrs. Knox Mullican, Pianist

Invocation.....Michael Drewery

Welcome.....Thurma Fay Thornton

“Battle Hymn of the Republic”.....Howe
Class

Introduction of Speaker.....Jerry Kin Wester

Address.....Reverend W. L. Fontenot
Pastor, Fundamental Baptist Church

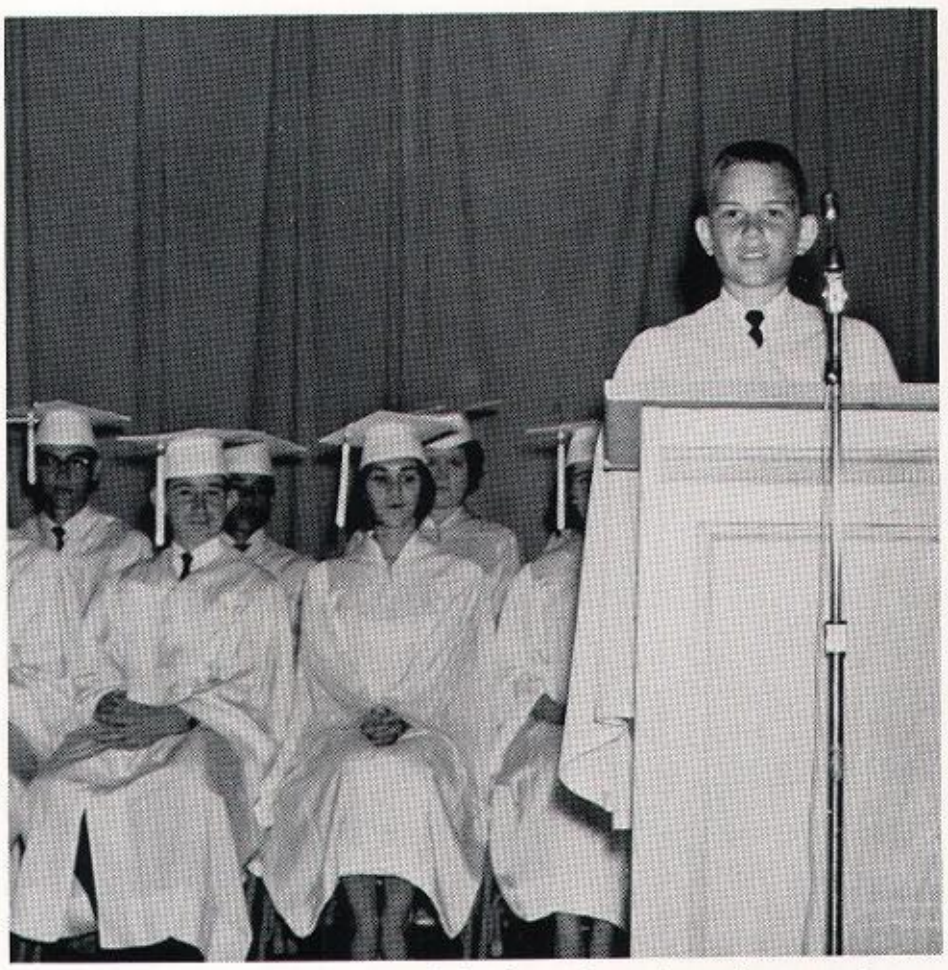
Presentation of Diplomas.....Roy James Watson
Superintendent of Schools

Awards.....Earl Richardson
Principal

“PALMER BLACK AND GOLD”

Benediction.....Jimmy Cal Wester

Recessional.....“Grand March, Tannhauser”.....Wagner
Mrs. Knox Mullican, Pianist



Jerry Ken Wester stands before the microphone as he introduces the speaker at the junior high school commencement.

Young and small Danny Dennie is caught by our cameraman as he receives his diploma making him a full-fledged member of Palmer High School. Superintendent Watson is passing out the certificates to the graduates.

Treasure Cove

Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom

Upper left: Head table guests are Superintendent Watson, Patricia Ann Collins, Louis Barron and date, Stephen Long, Brenda Jones and Edward McDonald. Tables were lighted with lanterns and centered with gold treasure chests. Walls were draped with fisherman's nets to make this one of the most authentic banquets our school has enjoyed. Junior class was host to the seniors.

At left: Pirate Tommy Harper waits on this table of guests. Jimmy Harper and Linda Jordan sit with Narel Robinson and his date, Nancy Haught. Decor can be seen in the background.

Lower left: Senior class President Stephen Long and his partner, Patricia Mapp, are among the first and last couples to grace the dance floor all during the evening. Students danced the DOG and the BROKEN HIP which slowed down the faculty a bit. Our photo shows a slow dance which most couples preferred. Johnny Stacks is seen at left in picture and Danny Hobbs dances with Pat Collins whose face is hidden from our camera.

Commencement and Vesper 1964

Class Flower: Yellow Gladiolus

Class Colors: Yellow and White

VESPER

First Christian Church
May 24, 1964
Five O'clock P.M.

Processional.....“Grand March from Aida”.....Verdi
Mrs. Knox Mullican, Pianist

Invocation.....Rev. Bobby Thornton
Pastor, First Baptist Church

Hymn.....“Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us”.....Page 69

Scripture.....Rev. W. L. Fontenot
Pastor, Fundamental Baptist Church

“How Great Thou Art”.....Stuart K. Hine
Senior Class

Sermon.....Rev. Mather Owen
Pastor, First Methodist Church

Hymn.....“I Am Thine, O Lord”.....Page 139

Benediction.....Roy James Watson
Superintendent of Schools

Recessional.....“God Of Our Fathers”.....Warren

Mrs. Knox Mullican, Pianist

Choral Direction
Mrs. T. N. Scallorn

Class Motto: “So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.”

COMMENCEMENT

8 O'clock P.M.
May 29, 1964
High School Auditorium

Processional.....“Pomp and Circumstance”.....Elgar
Mrs. Knox Mullican, Pianist

Invocation.....Narel Robinson

Welcome.....Phyllis Jan Tate
Salutatorian

“Holy, Holy, Holy”.....Franz Schubert
Senior Class

Address.....Reverend Sidney Roberts
Pastor, First Methodist Church, Ennis, Texas

Awards.....Earl Richardson
High School Principal

Diplomas.....Roy James Watson
Superintendent of Schools

A Valediction.....James Hugh Harper

“PALMER BLACK AND GOLD”

Benediction.....Patricia Ann Collins

Recessional.....“Soldiers Chorus from Faust”.....Gounod
Mrs. Knox Mullican, Pianist

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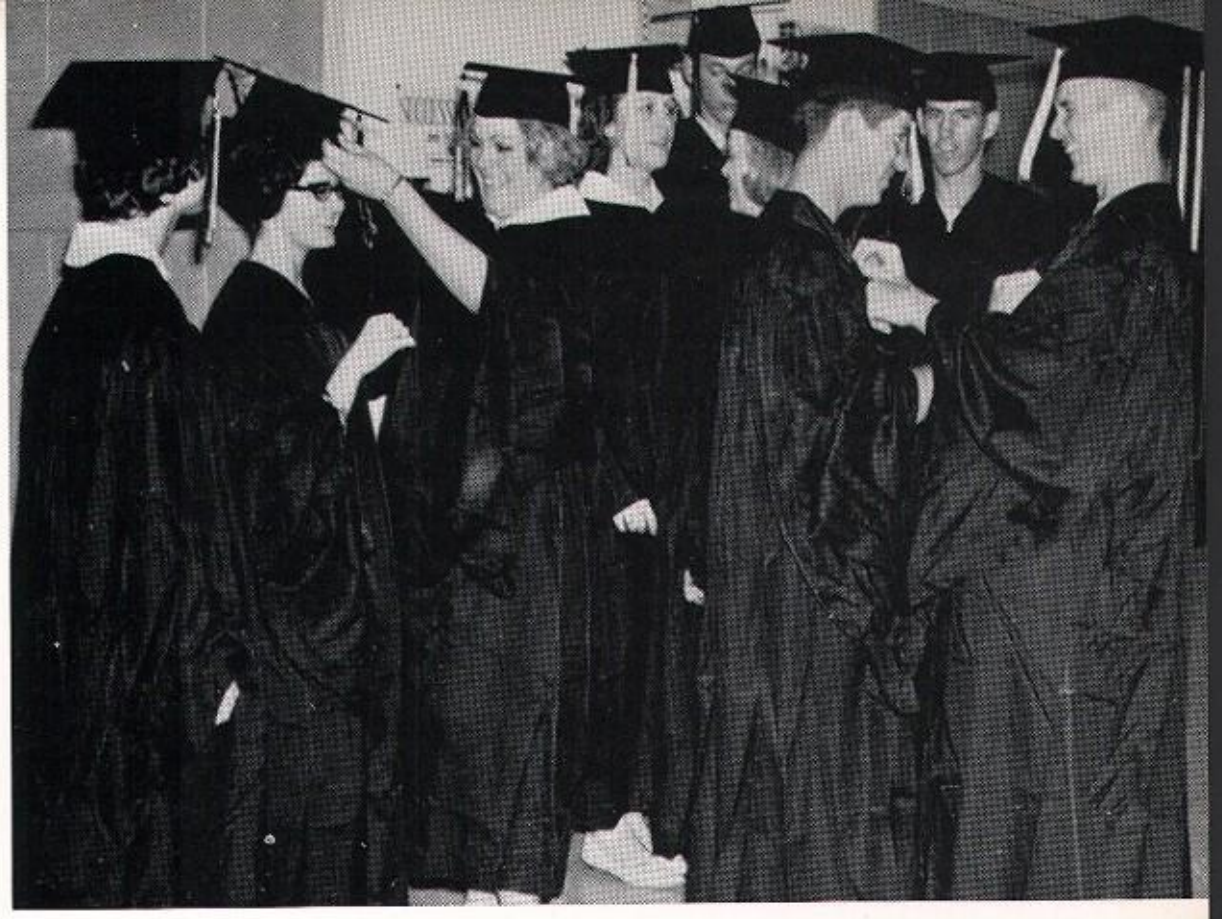

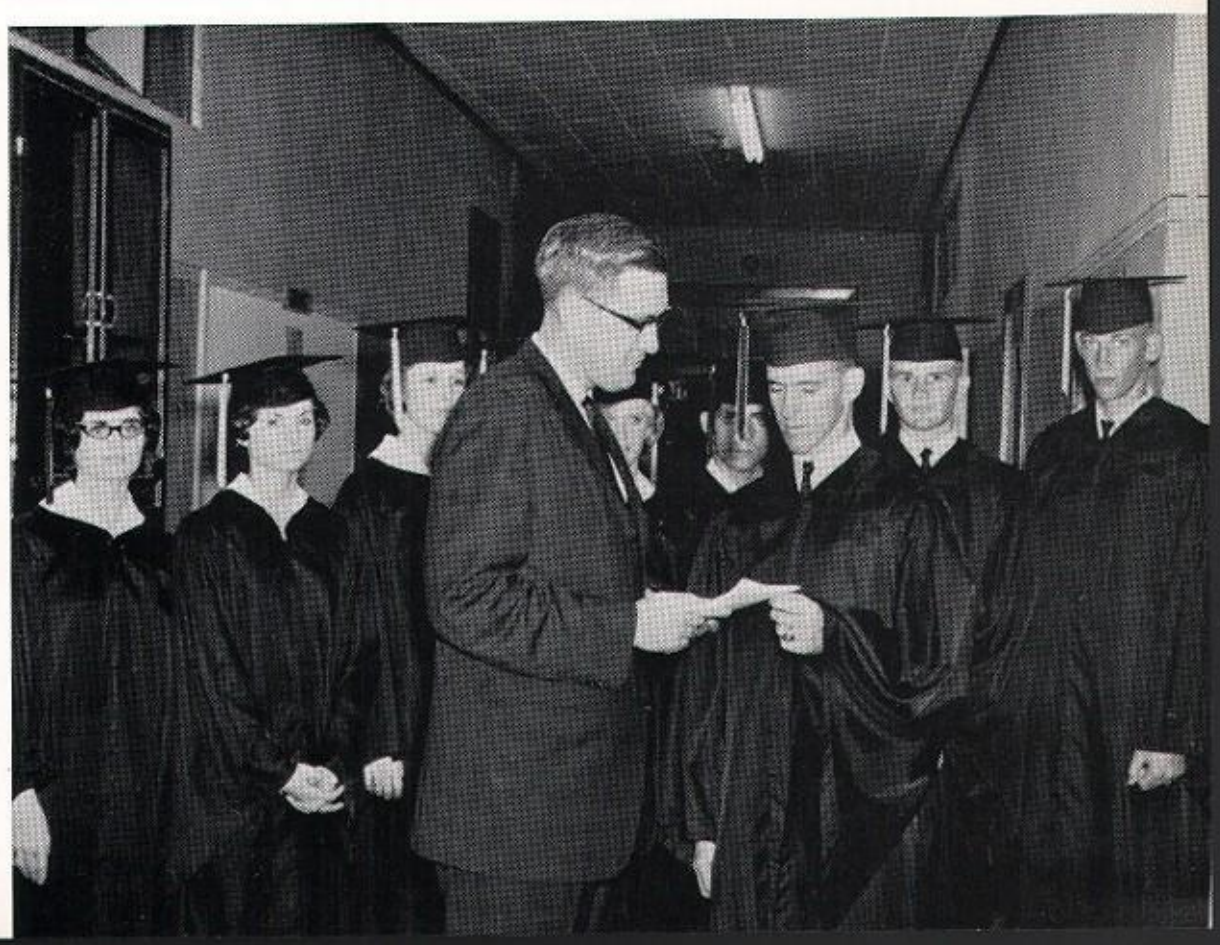

Dirge Without Music

I am not resigned to the shutting away of loving hearts in the
hard ground.
So it is, and so it will be, for so it has been, time out of mind:
Into the darkness they go, the wise and the lovely. Crowned
With lilies and with laurel they go; but I am not resigned.

Lovers and thinkers, into the earth with you.
Be one with the dull, the indiscriminate dust.
A fragment of what you felt, of what you knew,
A formula, a phrase remains, - but the best is lost.

The answers quick and keen, the honest look, the laughter,
the love, -
They are gone. They have gone to feed the roses. Elegant
and curled
Is the blossom. Fragrant is the blossom. I know.
But I do not approve.
More precious was the light in your eyes than all the roses
in the world.

Down, down, down into the darkness of the grave
Gently they go, the beautiful, the tender, the kind:
Quietly they go, the intelligent, the witty, the brave.
I know. But I do not approve. And I am not resigned.

Edna St. Vincent Millay

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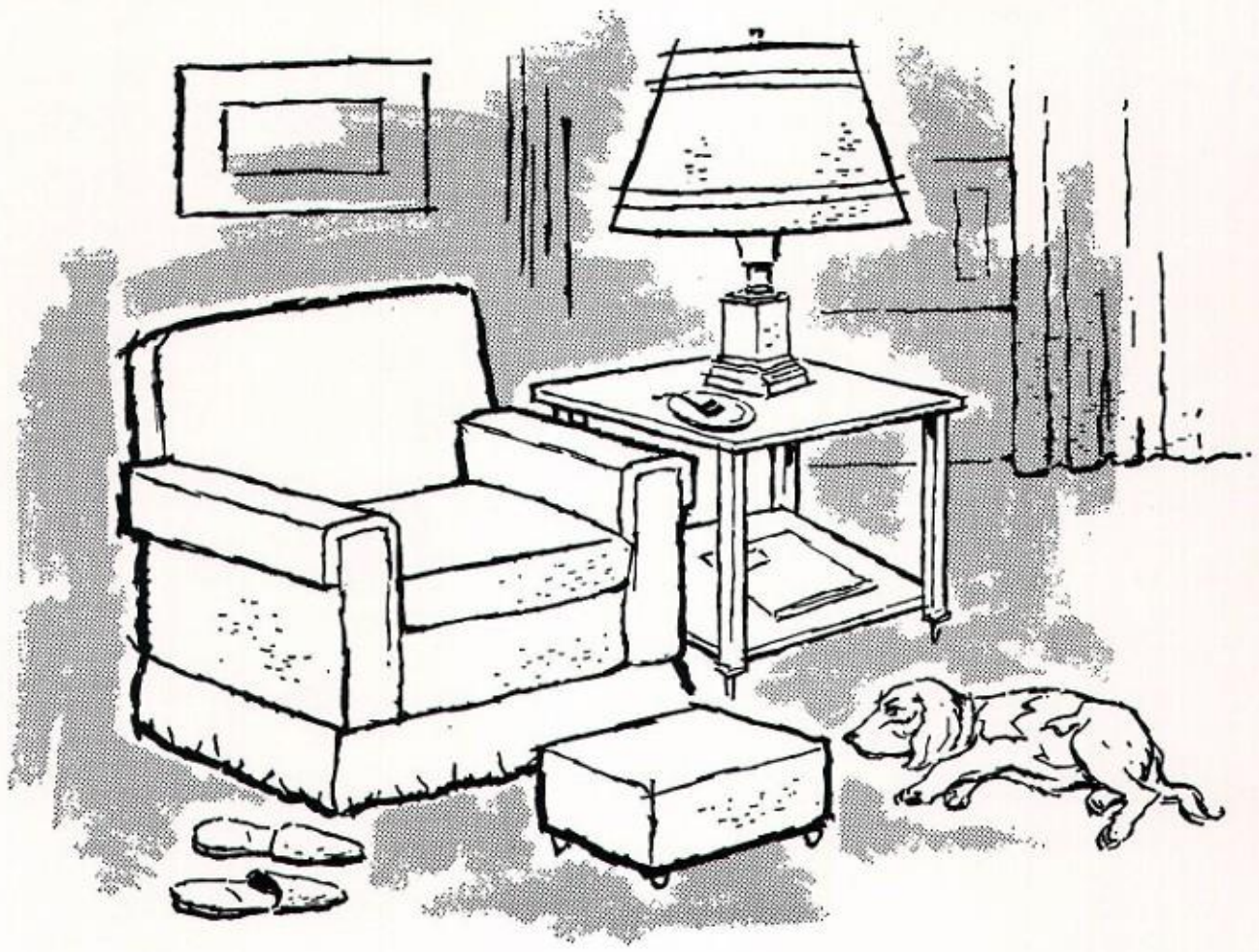

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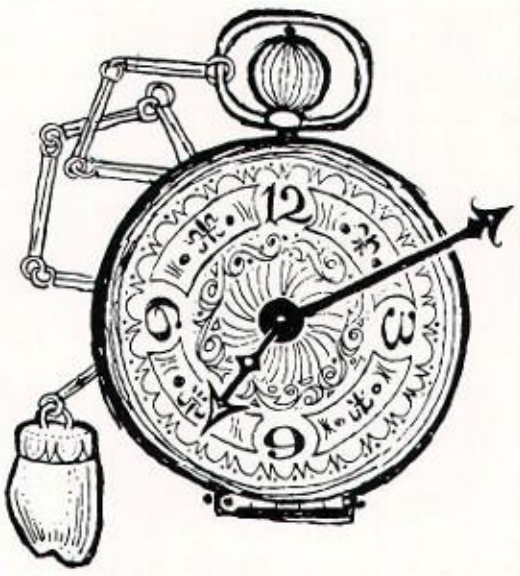

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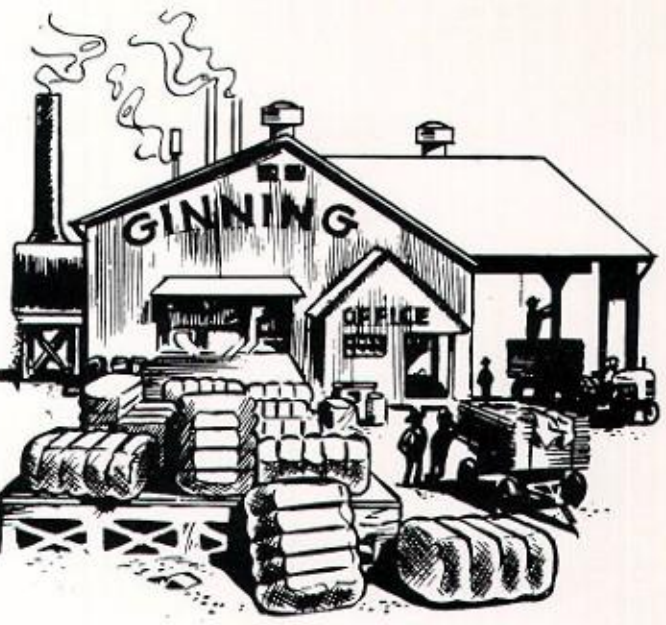

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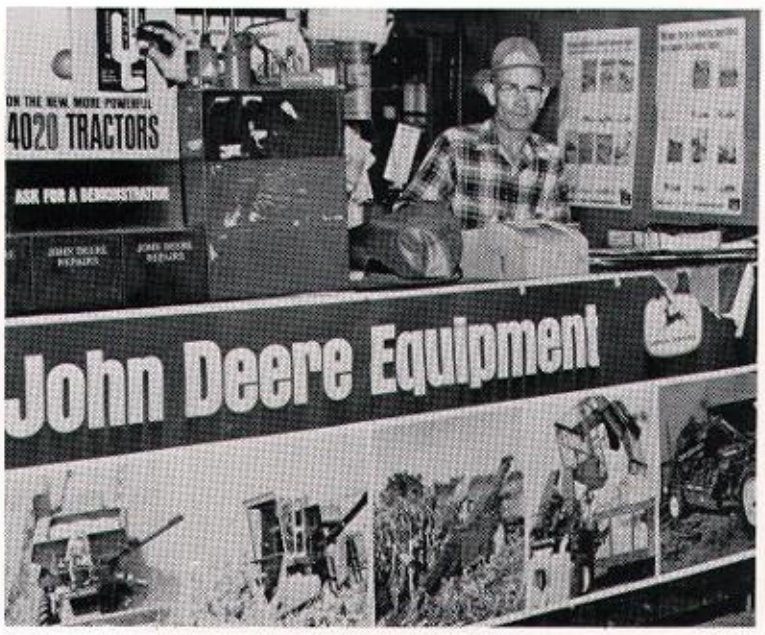

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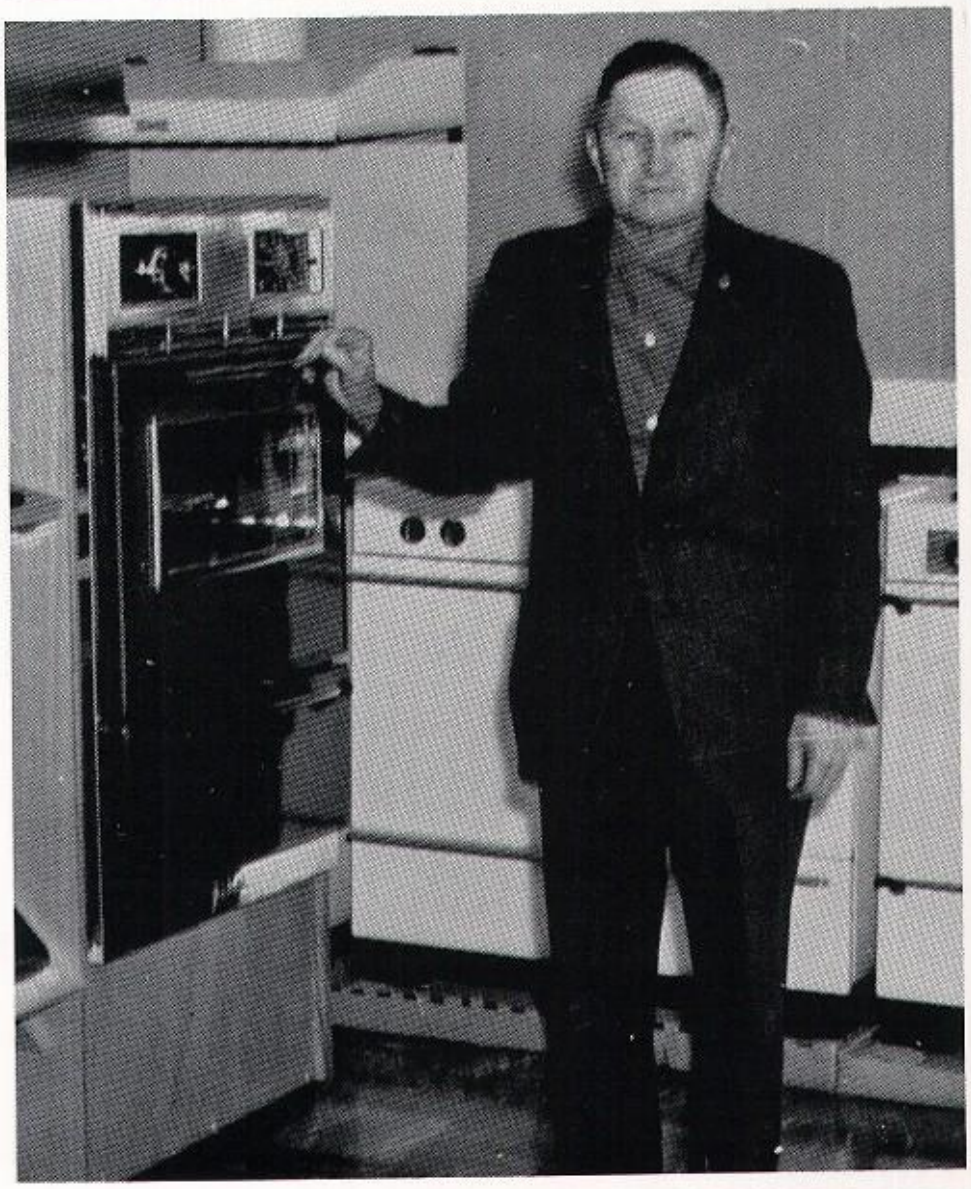

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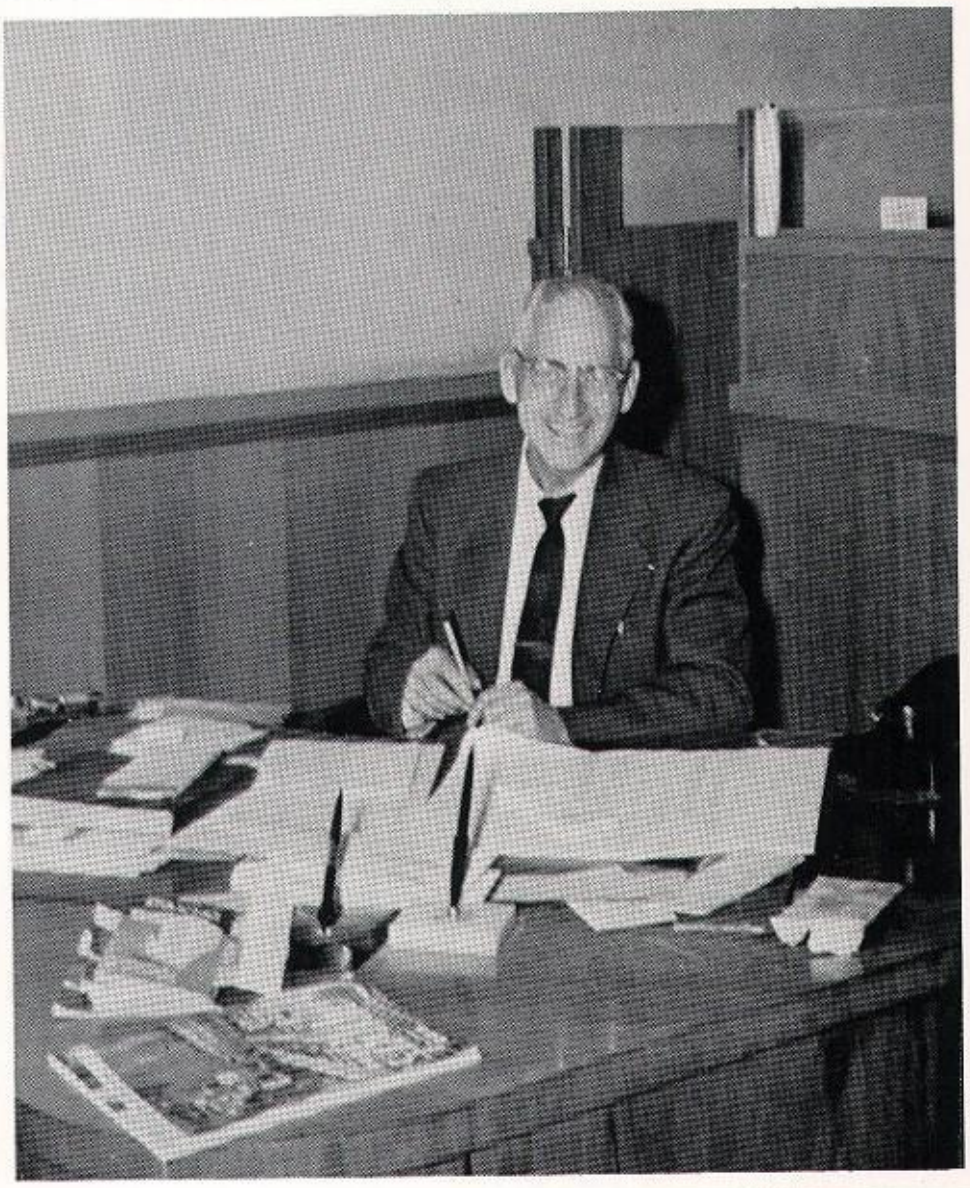

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